

4TH OF JULY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Grayling Youth Booster's Club

Saturday, July 4, 1998

Grayling City Park

VFW Parade
10 am - 11:30 am

Kid's Fishing Contest
12 noon - 2:30 pm
Kids 5-12 years old
Registration 11:30 - 12 noon
(1,500 planted trout)

Waterballoon Fight
3 pm - 4 pm
Kids 5-8, 9-12 & 13-17

Wheel Barrow Races
4 pm • Kids 5-12

Sawdust Box

Coin Search
4:30 pm • Kids 6 and under

Free Watermelon
5 pm

Free Throw

Shooting Contest
5:30 pm • Kids 10-17

Kids Sack Races
6:30 pm • Kids 5-12

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7 pm • Kids 5-12

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Governor misses announcement

Army airfield now open to civilians

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling Army Airfield is now open to civilian traffic, effective on June 26.

The official announcement was given at an 11:30 a.m. press conference on Friday, June 26 at the Grayling Airfield.

Governor John Engler was scheduled to give the announcement, but due to poor weather and visibility the Governor's plane was unable to land at any nearby airports.

The re-opening of the airfield to civilian use came about through an agreement between the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Bureau of Aeronautics and the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

The two agencies will provide the costs to "maintain the facility year-round, clearing the way for non-military use of two 5,000-foot runways and a civilian terminal."

"These agencies (Bureau of Aeronautics and Department of Military Affairs) have taken commendable steps to preserve civilian air traffic in Michigan with measures to ensure quality facilities, air traffic control and safety," said Governor Engler in a prepared press release.

"This agreement is an excellent example of partnering that expands economic development and preserves and promotes aviation throughout Michigan," said Engler.

Adjutant General E. Gordon Stump, who was also scheduled to speak at the June 26 press conference, was on the same plane as the Governor.

"We are all winners in this new partnership. We have always wanted to keep the airfield open to civilian aircraft and genuinely appreciate the efforts by MDOT to make this opportunity a reality," said General Stump in a prepared statement.

In the absence of the Governor, Stump, and the other scheduled speakers, Major Jim McCrone, Military and Veterans Affairs Director of Public Affairs and Camp Grayling Commander Colonel Gary McConnell each gave a brief statement and fielded a few questions from the small gathering of media members and community leaders.

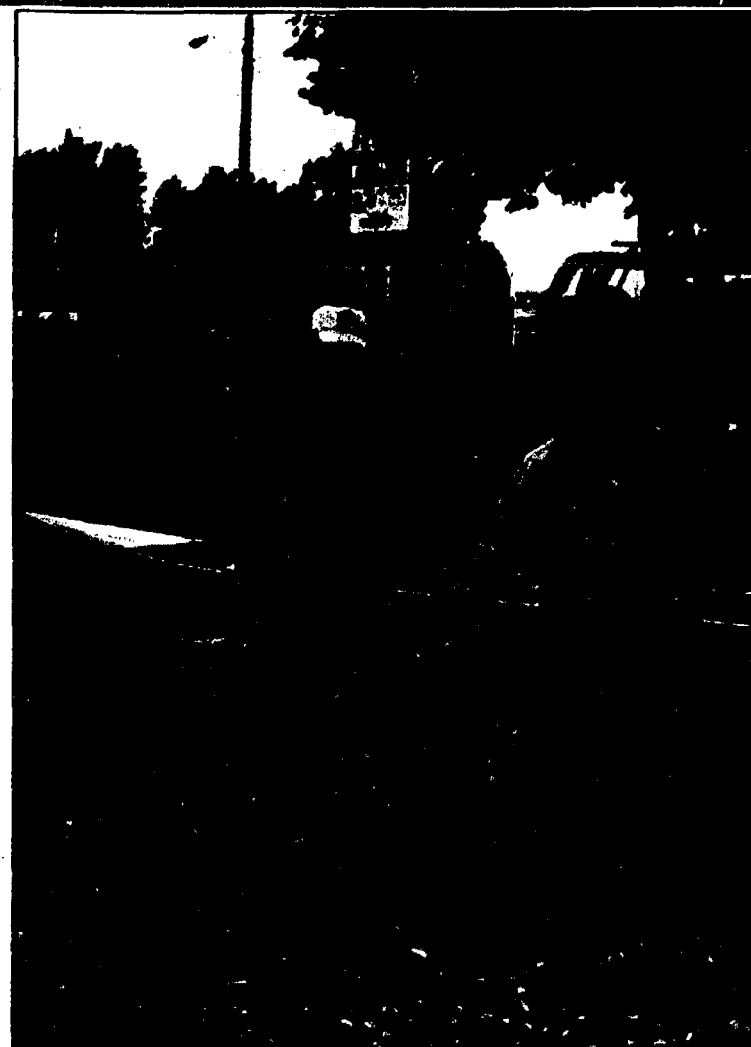
Colonel McConnell said that the project to re-open the airfield to civilian use has been going on for about seven months. McConnell said that the insurance has been paid for and a contract for plowing during the winter has been arranged.

McConnell said that the next step is to get low lead and aviation fuel at the Grayling Airfield, in pumps that will accept credit card payments, and then "see what the demand is from there."

Until recently, civilian aircraft were restricted from using the airfield. The restrictions came in July of 1997 "as a result of complex financial and contractual issues," including insurance liability.

Civilians using the airfield can make use of the Camp Grayling Army Airfield Operations Building (Building 1160), inside of which are telephones and restrooms.

Camp Grayling Army Airfield is currently the only airport in Crawford County.



COMMEMORATING -- (left) Bill Semion and Bob Bishop (right) of the Michigan Outdoor Writers Association display the AuSable longboat memorial stone, which was unveiled on Saturday, June 27. For the complete story, see Page

Funds approved for full interchange at North Down and I-75

Construction set to begin in 1999

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Funding has been appropriated "to complete the full interchange on I-75 at North Down River Road," according to an announcement given last week.

Included in the Friday, June 26 announcement that Grayling Army Airfield is now open to civilian traffic was word that the North Down project had been approved.

A sum of \$1.125 million in federal funds has been allocated for the construction of a full interchange at North Down River Road.

The House of Representatives recently approved its transportation funding bill for the next six years.

Included in the bill was the money for the North Down project, which was requested by Congressman David Camp.

"Camp worked closely with MDOT (Michigan Department of Transportation) to get the funding for this project," said Wes Irvin of Congressman Camp's office. "This was one that Dave and MDOT thought was important."

As stated in the June 26 press release, work on the North Down project "is slated to begin in 1999, as this full interchange will serve the military and civilian traffic in the area."

"How the project proceeds now is up to MDOT," said Irvin.

School board awards bid for computers

At their June 22 special meeting, the Crawford AuSable School's board of education awarded the bid for ten 400 MHZ Pentium II computers to Inca Computer Company.

The computers, costing \$2,172 each, will replace seven computers in use at the district's central office building and three being used by the

District Technology Systems Managers.

The computers are being replaced because the central office and systems managers' operations require more high-powered computers.

The computers currently used by these personnel will be put to use in district classrooms.

Severe late night storms sweep through county

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Many Crawford County residents lost sleep last week when severe storms swept through the area late at night, two nights in a row.

Severe thunderstorms packing high winds and frequent lightning left thousands without power throughout northern lower Michigan on June 24 and 25.

A survey of the county showed many trees snapped in half or showing signs of lightning strikes.

One of the hardest hit areas was a region south of Frederic. The National Weather Service in Waters reported straight-line winds, clocked at 60 miles per hour, were responsible for downed and uprooted trees. A funnel cloud was sighted in the area but did not touch

down.

Frederic Township Fire Chief Dennis Wallace said that Wednesday night's storms caused a large tree to fall on the home of Jerome Bissell on Cameron Bridge Road, and Wilkins Road was blocked by several downed trees. No injuries were reported.

The department performed clean-up work on Wilkins Road, clearing 15 or more trees blocking the way.

Local police and emergency service agencies went into their fan-out mode during the worst of the storms in order to place emergency vehicles throughout the county in case of a major disaster.

Immediately after each storm, these same agencies surveyed local campgrounds and other areas for any injuries or damage.

Annual boat parade to be held on Lake Margrethe July 4th

The Lake Margrethe 4th Annual Parade of Boats will take place Saturday, July 4 at 2 p.m. sharp.

Anyone interested in taking part in the parade should meet at the flag ship in the South Bay at Camp Grayling.

Prizes will be awarded for the most entries and for best decorations.

After the parade, all boaters are invited to a cook-out from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the home of Tom and Jan Hunt, east of Eagle Point.

For more information call Lake Margrethe Property Owners Association President, Joe Porter, at 348-9012.

Fourth of July parade to be held Saturday

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

This year's Fourth of July parade, which is being organized by the Grayling VFW, will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 4, and travel the usual parade route (Galen to Lake Street down Michigan Avenue).

Anyone who wishes to participate in the parade itself can contact Lou-

Anne Crosby at 517-348-8186.

The participation will be on a first come, first serve basis, and any float or display involving horses will be toward the back.

This is the fourth year that the VFW has organized the parade, and "we're very proud of that," said Crosby.

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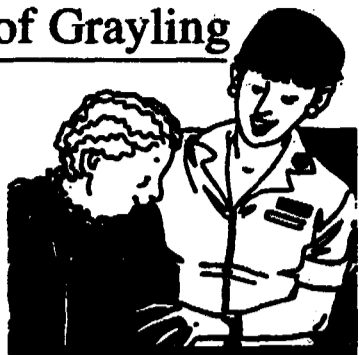
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Higgins Lake Advisory Committee spearheads swimmer's itch research

On January 27, 1998, Bill Case and Ned Wickes of the Higgins Lake Advisory Committee and Dr. Thomas Burton, chairman Zoology Department, Michigan State University, met with Senator George McManus and staff to present a swimmer's itch research/control proposal. Sen. McManus gave his approval and offered to arrange financial support from state resources.

In view of recent severe seasons of swimmer's itch, northern lake associations, with pressure from their memberships, have urged that a control effort be started as soon as possible. Dr. Burton has agreed to a summer 1998 work program, June 1 to August 22, 1998, on Higgins and Walloon Lakes. Two teams of Michigan State University researchers, each with a graduate and undergraduate student under the direction of Dr. Burton and Zoology Department faculty, have been assigned.

The Summer, 1998, phase will be financed by a \$30,000 Michigan Department of Natural Resources grant arranged through the offices of Senator McManus and Kelli Sobel, Deputy Director, MDNR. Added to the grant is \$21,800, made up of generous donations by the Higgins Lake Foundation, Walloon Lake Association Trust, Leelanau Watershed Council, Elk-Skegemog Lakes Association and Green Lake/Betsie River Association.

Michigan State University has proposed that further, intensive research be continued, involving

additional lakes over three years. Sen. McManus will seek necessary funding through State budgets.

Efforts to control swimmer's itch with copper sulfate, a chemical which kills not only the swimmer's itch parasite but other marine life, has been opposed by many Higgins Lake residents. The capture, sterilization and removal of Merganser ducks, primary hosts, has proved very difficult with uncertain results. Project leaders Dr. Burton, Dr. Patrick Muzzall and Richard Snider realize the complexity of the task

and that there can be no assurances of total success. In summary, they state, "We will concentrate our efforts on developing an understanding of the intermediate snail hosts to identify aspects of the biology of these snails which would be helpful in devising control strategies." It is hoped that extensive prior research done by Dr. Harvey Blankenspoor, Hope College, will contribute to this understanding. Results of the M.S.U. study will be available to all lake associations and the general public.

Sen. McManus feels that "this project may have great value to the Michigan tourist industry, public health and the recreational enjoyment of the state's waters."

Our thanks go to Sen. George McManus and his staff for their encouragement and leadership and to Representatives John Gernaat and Michelle McManus for their support.

This article was made possible by *Water Lines*, which is published by the Higgins Lake Property Owners Association. It was published in their Spring, 1998, edition.

HEALTHLINE

Swimmers Itch, what causes it?

Q. What causes swimmers itch and how can we avoid it?

A. Swimmers itch is a popular name for a condition known medically as schistosome cercaria dermatitis. Although it seems like a common problem, only one percent or less of Michigan lakes are affected. Unfortunately, these lakes are the ones most frequently used for swimming and other recreational purposes.

Swimmers itch is caused by the tiny larva of the adult blood fluke. This little creature, which develops inside a snail, swims or drifts through the water looking for a suitable duck or water animal to penetrate. Unfortunately humans, who happen to be enjoying the water, may also be entered by this tiny parasite. Since the human body is not a

suitable host, once inside the skin the organism dies. However, the body's reaction to a foreign organism causes severe itching at each entry point.

Several hours after penetration, one or more raised red spots appear on the skin. These red spots may be on the legs, back or chest, or whatever body parts that were in the infested water. The itching and size of the spots increases and may be most uncomfortable on the second, third and fourth days after exposure. Usually, most symptoms have disappeared in a week although small red dots may remain for some time.

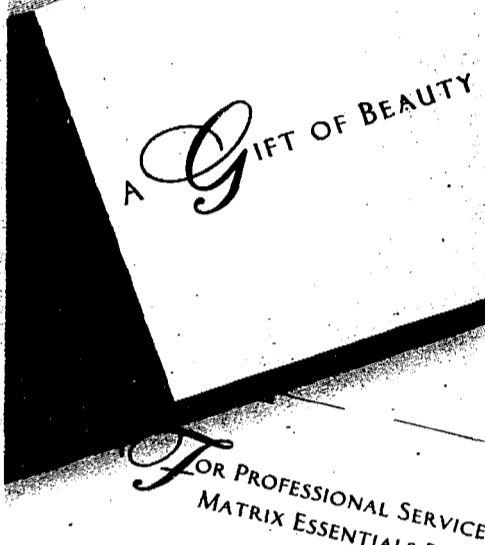
To decrease the incidence of swimmers itch, some local lakes are treated each year in early summer. However, it's impossible to completely eradicate the problem. If you

and your family rub yourselves briskly with a towel or shower immediately when leaving the water, it will help you avoid contracting this uncomfortable condition. Avoid letting water simply evaporate from the skin, which enhances penetration by the parasite. If infection occurs, there is little that can be done to treat it. Baking soda baths, calamine lotion, antihistamine products, hydrocortisone or anesthetic-type products may provide some relief from the itching. Ask your pharmacist or physician for suggestions.

Usually by the end of July or first part of August, snails carrying the swimmers itch culprit will have died, putting an end to the problem for another summer.

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Doctors warn about firework dangers

The American Academy of Ophthalmology (Eye M.D.s) and the National Association of State Fire Marshals have joined forces to encourage families to attend public fireworks instead of using fireworks at home this Fourth of July. The reasons for this warning can be seen in the following statistics:

- Of the approximately 7,000 fireworks-related injuries each year in the United States, about 2,000 are

eye injuries caused by consumer fireworks. Nearly one-third of these injuries result in permanent eye damage. Almost one in 20 victims lose all useful vision or require removal of the eye.

- One-fourth of all eye injuries caused by consumer fireworks are inflicted on bystanders.
- Three-fourths of all fireworks-related eye injuries are to boys between the ages of 13 and 15.
- The single most dangerous type

of firework is the small, explosive "bottle rocket." Bottle rockets are the most dangerous because they fly erratically, causing bystander injuries. The bottles and cans used to launch fireworks often explode, showering fragments of glass and metal.

- Sparklers, often given to young children, burn at 1800 degrees Fahrenheit, nearly hot enough to melt gold.

"Attending a public fireworks dis-

play on the Fourth of July is a safe way to honor our tradition of independence, our shared values and our hopes for a healthy future," said Elliot Finkelstein, M.D., President of the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

For more information, visit the American Academy of Ophthalmology's website at: www.eyenet.org or the National Association of State Fire Marshals' website at: www.firemarshals.org.

Kirtland Community College to offer \$90,000 in scholarships

Kirtland Community College expects to receive more than \$90,000 in grant funds from Governor John Engler's new program to make scholarships available to encourage new students to pursue skilled technical training.

The purpose of funding is to recruit students for programs of study for which shortages of skilled labor have been identified.

Funds for the program come from the State's revenue of more than \$20 million from Michigan's Native American-operated casinos. The funds must be used for educational programs. The Governor is authorized to determine how the funds are to be distributed.

The Workforce Development Board for the Northeast Michigan Consortium late last week approved funds for Kirtland in excess of \$44,000 to be awarded in scholarships of up to \$500 per semester for up to four semesters for students pursuing programs of study in Manufacturing Processes Technology; Computer Aided

Drafting (CAD) & Design; Nursing Level II R.N.; Automotive Technology; Business Management; Medical Assistant; Multi-Tech CAD Manufacturing Processes; Welding Technology; and Administrative Assistant.

Currently, the statewide distribution of these scholarship funds is administered by employment regions supervised by the Michigan Jobs Commission. Each region is advised by a Workforce Development Board of representatives from industry, business, education and the community, as to how the scholarship monies should be awarded. Kirtland, is served by two regions: the Northeast Michigan Consortium and Region 7-B.

Kirtland Financial Aid Director Dale Shantz said the College expects to receive a comparable funding grant from Region 7-B within the next week.

To be eligible for the scholarships students must be newly enrolling into one of the designated programs of study. Applicants MUST file the

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for need analysis. Applicants must have completed High School with at least a 2.00 GPA, or satisfactorily completed a GED. Recipients will be determined on the basis of unmet need, their college entrance evaluation scores, and an interest/skill assessment. If the number of eligible applicants exceed the availability of funds, and scores are comparable, females and recognized minorities will receive preference.

Recipients must maintain at least a 2.00 GPA at Kirtland to maintain eligibility, and meet standards of satisfactory academic progress for financial aid eligibility.

Recipients will receive up to \$500 per semester, for up to 4 semesters. This is supplemental to other financial assistance the student may be eligible for, except it may impose some limitation on maximum student loan eligibility.

Shantz urged interested individuals to contact the Office of Financial Aid at Kirtland Community College (517) 275-5121 Ext. 271 as soon as possible. If they have not already done so, applicants should also contact, or ask the Office of Financial Aid to refer them to, the Office of Admissions (Ext. 284) for an Application of Admission, and Ext. 280 to schedule the entrance evaluation. An interest/skill assessment will be scheduled prior to the beginning of the Fall Semester.

Admission information is also available on Kirtland's website: <http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/>.

Registration for the Fall semester at Kirtland is July 6, 13, & 20; and August 19, 20 & 21; classes begin August 21.

LAKE MARGRETHE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Election of Directors

Three positions are expiring: **Larry Frymire, Dale Melroy and Pat Nunn. Nominations are open to all members.**

Saturday, July 11 • 9 am
Camp Grayling Officers Club
Coffee & Refreshments • Public Invited
Speakers: Steve Sendek, Cindy Olson, Terry Wright & Gregory Price

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Retired state employees' group to meet

The regular meeting of the North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association will be held Tuesday, July 7, at the Houghton Lake Community Building, beginning at 2 p.m. Guest speakers will be Carolyn Moore, County Director, Council on Aging, and Charles Boracy, in charge of the millage campaign for the Commission on Aging. All retired state employees and their spouses are encouraged to attend.

Substance Abuse Services meeting set

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board of Directors will be held on Monday, July 6, beginning at 10 a.m. in the Baraga Meeting Room of the Offices of Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., 1665 West M-32, Marquette Building, in Gaylord. For an agenda and details please call (517) 732-1791. Services for the visually and hearing impaired are available upon request.

Animal Shelter to hold annual yard sale

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County will hold its annual yard sale on July 3 and 4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and July 5, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The shelter is located at 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Concerned Citizens for Animals spay/neuter program. For more information, call the Animal Shelter at 348-4117.

Representative requests citizens' input

State Representative Karen Willard is interested in hearing from citizens who have had local experiences, good or bad, with the Drain Law. The Michigan Legislature is debating changes to certain portions of the code and Willard would like to know how the current code has impacted real people's lives. If you would like to offer something to the legislative process, call Willard immediately at 1-800-423-8282 or write her at P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909.

Red Cross offers instructor training

The American Red Cross will be offering Instructor Training classes in *Community First Aid and Safety* (includes Adult, Infant and Child CPR and Community First Aid). The fee for the course is \$50 with pre-payment and advance registration required. If registered in time, an information packet will be sent to you. Class dates are Friday, July 31, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, August 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, August 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The classes will be held at the American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter, 109 N. Second Avenue in Alpena. For more information or to register, call (517) 356-0677 or 1-800-691-6059.

Soil survey book to be dedicated

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District will dedicate the Crawford County Soil Survey on Tuesday, July 7, at 1 p.m. in the basement meeting room of the Crawford County Building, 200 Michigan Avenue, Grayling. A session on how to use the book will follow immediately after the dedication. This is also an opportunity to receive your free copy. For more information, call the district at (517) 275-5231.

Eagles Auxiliary #3465 raffle winners

The winners of the Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465 25th Anniversary Raffle, held on May 21, were Betty MacLeod, Terry Diemert and Kathy Wagner.

St. John to hold Vacation Bible School

Registration for Vacation Bible School at St. John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce Street, is open to all children three years through sixth grade. To register your child, stop at the church Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Our theme this year is *God's Kids Pray*. Dates are July 13-16, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Blood drive to be held at Super 8 Motel

The Crawford County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Thursday, July 9, from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., in the Super 8 Motel at Charlie's Country Corner, 5828 Nelson A. Miles Parkway.

Jazz band to play Uptown weekly

Beginning July 1 and lasting until the end of August, *Jazz Avenue* will entertain customers every Wednesday from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. at Stevens Family Circle and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Friends & Company Coffee House. Both businesses are located on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

Garden Club to take annual garden walk

Kirtland Garden Club will take its annual garden walk on July 20, leaving at 8:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join the group as they tour some of the members' gardens. Meet at Town & Country Grocery, corner of Robinson Lake Road and 100. Gardens will be visited in the morning, then a stop for lunch and more garden tours in the afternoon. Bring a friend and see what's blooming! For reservations call Barb at (517) 275-5832 or Jean at (517) 366-5169. Reservation deadline is July 15.

Transplant support group to meet

The Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will meet July 8, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the classroom at Otsego Memorial Hospital on North U.S. 27. All pre-and post-recipients, their caregivers or support people, and all those interested are invited to attend this second meeting. Other meetings are scheduled for August 12 in the boardroom and September 16 in the classroom. For more information, call Bev Cherwinski at (517) 983-4188.

Girls! Crawford County Fair Pageant seeking more contestants

All girls between the ages of 5 & 15 are invited to sign up for the Crawford County Fair Pageant to be held July 22. Cost is \$25, with family discounts available. Get ready to have a lot of fun and receive some great gifts. The deadline for sign-up is Friday, July 3. If you are interested come to our first rehearsal, Wednesday, July 1, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Crawford County Fairgrounds. For more information, call Deb Weaver at 348-4220 or Sandra Moore, 1gs, at 348-2154.

Flowers for the library



LIBRARY BEAUTIFICATION - Friends of the Library President Barbara Spasoff plants flowers in front of the Crawford County Library with help from the Young Men of Shawono and other Friends. The Friends of the Crawford County Library meets every fourth Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the library. The Young Men of Shawono have shown their continuing support of the library with their past acts of reshingling the wishing well, refinishing the William Sherlock bench, assisting with the annual book sale, building the new flower boxes for the front of the library and once again planting flowers and spreading top soil.

Land conservancy group to hold meeting in Mio

On June 13, the Headwaters Land Conservancy group held its Annual Picnic meeting at Sprinkler Lake Educational Center.

The focus of the annual meeting was the acceptance of several more properties put under the stewardship of Headwaters Land Conservancy's Board of Directors, with several more properties being considered for future acceptance.

Headwaters Land Conservancy will hold its next meeting on Thursday, July 9, at 7 p.m., in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse Annex in Mio, located

one block southeast of the blinker light at the intersection of M-33 and M-72.

If anyone is not sure of all the options they have for the preservation of their land, the group welcomes them to come to the meeting and see how Headwaters can help and serve them.

For more information, call Cecile Kortier, Publicity and Educational Chairman, at (517) 742-3104.

Card of thanks Card of thanks

Thank you so very much Chuck Fick and friends who were at my surprise birthday party at Arby's. It was special. Thanks again.

Don Kangas

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| FRI 3 | •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call Don O. for more information 348-3098. |
| SAT 4 | •HAPPY 4TH OF JULY! •LAKE MARGRETHE 4TH ANNUAL PARADE OF BOATS @ the flag ship, South Bay, Camp Grayling, 2 pm sharp. |
| SUN 5 | •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call Don O. for more information 348-3098. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. |
| MON 6 | •KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •WELCOME WAGON NEWCOMERS meeting, 6 pm. Call Betty Mansfield or Rose Smith, 348-5598, for more information. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call Don O. for more information 348-3098. |
| TUES 7 | •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call Don O. for more information 348-3098. •CRA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •CRAWFORD COUNTY RESOURCE COUNCIL meeting @ Mercy Hospital private dining room, 12 noon. •AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY meeting @ Citizens Bank, 1 pm. •CRAWFORD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM meeting @ the depot, 7 pm. Public welcome. |
| WED 8 | •ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in, 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •LIONS CLUB meeting @ Breaker's Steak House, 6:30 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call Don O. for more information 348-3098. |

Correction

In the June 25 edition of *The Avalanche*, a name was inadvertently left off of the Grayling Middle School Honor Roll.

Gregory Warren earned a place on the Sixth Grade All "A" Honor Roll for the last semester of the 1997-98 school year.

The editorial staff of *The Avalanche* regrets the error.



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ISSUES AND OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Can Geoffrey Fieger pull it off?

FROM DARK horse political loner to leader in the polls.

That's the unlikely path that Geoffrey Fieger has blazed in his quixotic quest to win the Democratic nomination for governor.

Last August, as the UAW officially endorsed Larry Owen for governor, The Almanack took note of Mr. Fieger's announced interest in the race, and dismissed it as a self-serving ego trip for his outlandish musings on assisted suicide and anything else which might pop into his head.

"Mr. Fieger is related to serious politics about as Howard Stern is to serious journalism: Not at all," The Almanack proclaimed.

"So, in pursuit of doing nothing to abet the Fieger effort, even in the least consequential way, this is the final mention in this space about his so-called candidacy for governor, which it really isn't."

I herewith abandon my anti-Fieger pledge, not that it makes much difference to him, or anybody else, except me.

He's running for governor, he's a serious candidate, and he's made a lot of politicians and editorialists a bit jittery.

OPINION POLLS show that a month before the primary Mr. Fieger is hanging in there, ahead of both Mr. Owen and Doug Ross, the other Democratic candidate, among probable primary voters.

The poll also shows almost half of these probable voters still undecided, which means the nomination is up for grabs.

The Fieger appeal is tough to pin down. He says a lot of things that are outrageous to lots of

folks...and he says a lot of other things that make a lot of folks nod their heads in silent agreement. Assisted suicide? It's up to the individual. Abortion? Same answer.

Public education? For it. School vouchers? Opposed.

Casino gambling? He voted for it. Casinos built on the shores of the Detroit River? Stupid idea. State financing of the arts? For it. Affirmative action? For it.

His personal tax returns? Nobody's business.

Lake pollution? Big problem. State roads? Untravelable. Closing mental hospitals? Bad idea.

GEOFFREY FIEGER is viewed by many as a threat.

Betsy DeVos, Michigan Republican party chair, uses him to frighten up some GOP contributions.

"Could you imagine what would happen if Fieger became governor?" Ms. DeVos asks, in a recent letter pleading for money.

Editor Joe Stroud of the Detroit Free Press, after an editorial board meeting with Mr. Fieger, wrote: "Frankly, Mr. Fieger scares me. He gets caught up in his rhetoric and gets this wild look in his eyes."

The Detroit News in April editorialized that Mr. Fieger "seems to be on an ego trip more befitting a Roman emperor than a potential governor."

People are talking about Geoffrey Fieger, and some may even be listening to him and agreeing with him. He attracts attention, which is the first thing any successful candidate must have.

Voters in the Democratic primary will make this decision, and they're often entirely different than the persons in the street to whom Mr. Fieger

seems to be directing his fire.

Democratic primary voters usually are down the line party activists, who belong to the UAW and other tightly organized groups, and frequently follow the suggestions of their leadership.

THE FIEGER candidacy still is a long shot, despite what polling may indicate. The anointed candidacy of Larry Owen still should win this nomination.

But it's not a lock.

The memory of Kim Sigler gets stuck in my mind.

The 1946, when popular Republican Gov. Harry Kelly finished his second term, everyone who was anyone in the Republican Party got behind Lt. Gov. Vernon J. Brown, a small town newspaper owner in Mason, as heir apparent.

But a handsome, flamboyant, fast talking attorney from Hastings named Kim Sigler had other ideas, after tasting notoriety as prosecutor of a special grand jury investigating misdeeds in the legislature.

Kim Sigler became a self starting solo candidate for governor taking on the party structure. He beat Vernon Brown in the primary and went on to become governor.

History can repeat, and Geoffrey Fieger is in position for lightning to strike again...but it's not likely.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE

EDITOR

Putting Medicare back on its feet

To the editor,

In 1995, the numbers were startling. Medicare was teetering on the edge of financial ruin and was quickly marching toward bankruptcy -- threatening the health care of the 38 million seniors who rely on the program.

Actuaries predicted the program would not be able to meet its obligations as early as 2001 unless something was done to save the program. Noting the possibility of bankruptcy, the Trustees, in their 1995 report said that "...prompt, effective and decisive action by Congress is necessary."

Motivated by this report and its call to action, the United States Congress passed the Balanced Budget Agreement of 1997, which included improvements designed to put Medicare back on sound financial ground.

In April, the Medicare Trustees released its 1998 report which stated, "The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 not only pushed back the exhaustion date of the Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, but also reduced by one-half the projected long-range financial imbalance facing the program."

Highlighting the importance of these improvements, the report states that Medicare no longer faces an immediate threat to its financial health.

This dramatic turn of events is the result of a vigorous effort to ensure the 38 million seniors who rely on the program continue enjoying its services. Not only did our reforms stabilize Medicare financially, they expanded consumer choice and competition into the program.

These changes, combined with the effort to root out fraud and abuse in

the system puts us on the right track to protecting our seniors and building a stronger Medicare program.

In 1996, Medicare paid out \$23 billion in fraudulent claims.

As a result of legislation designed to combat fraud and abuse, Medicare saved nearly \$3 billion. That's a major savings! This is \$3 billion which will now go to pay for health care instead of lining some criminals' pocket.

In addition to the preceding savings, Congress passed legislation in 1996 that provided powerful new criminal and civil enforcement tools and the necessary resources to fight against health care fraud. In 1997 alone, as a result of these reforms, the Federal government won more than \$1.2 billion in savings.

I strongly believe Medicare has stabilized as a result of these reforms. More importantly Medicare has been protected and preserved, because our priority was finding different ways to detect and prevent fraud and abuse within the current system. There is no reason for these elements to be placing stress on the Medicare system.

This year's report cites significant improvement. However, I have always said that the time to fix the roof is while the sun is shining. I will continue to work hard to preserve and protect our Medicare system. Passing positive reforms, preventing fraud and abuse, and ensuring a sound and thriving economy in America - these are the necessary elements for a sound Medicare system and better America in the 21st century.

Rep. Dave Camp
Washington, D.C.

Former summer resident enjoyed visit to Grayling

To the editor:

What a delightfully nostalgic visit I had recently in Grayling, with not a little reminiscing as I enjoyed a brief stay in one of the Water Wonderland cabins on Lake Margrethe.

Years ago we had a former summer home nearby. There, of course, had been some changes in this section (most for the better!), but a lot was still very familiar, and I enjoyed walking the lake road and also collecting some of the ever-present colorful stones near the shoreline at the beach, as I did as a youth.

The town still holds its charm for me. What a wonderful museum the old train depot is (I hope all of you

Grayling residents have toured it!). It was rewarding to see that the cemetery where my folks are buried continues to be very well maintained.

The beautifully renovated Shoppenagon Inn was a relaxing place to dine and I had two fine evening meals there.

It was fun browsing through the interesting stores, most new since my last, long-ago visit.

The people in the community were friendly and welcoming. My stay, albeit short, was memorable.

Kathryn Adams
Carbondale, Ill



FROM OUR CORNER

by Whitey Madsen

Nemeses attack guard training... again

It must be summer...Camp Grayling, the AuSable and Crawford County hit it big time with front page coverage in the combined issue of the Detroit papers on Sunday, June 21st.

The headline... 'Scenic AuSable roars with sounds of soldiers' ... the Michigan National Guard kicked off the annual summer training at Camp Grayling and its sprawling confines.

With it, the annual rhetoric from two of the guards nemeses also began, namely Dan Alstott and Rusty Gates.

I found the article quite amusing...with the quotes of these two gentlemen plus Col. Gary McConnell, Camp Grayling Commander.

In case you missed the article, here are a few quotes:

"It was absolutely unbelievable, around-the-clock jets, artillery, helicopters, you name it," recalled Dan Alstott, a retired consulting engineer from Bay City."

What a revelation...Mr. Alstott moved here in 1997 full-time, to a summer home he has had for 13 years before that. In 13 years he must not have learned that the guard trains here in the summer.

Or did he decide to become Moses and lead his flock out of the

horrors of military training with a promise of Utopia here in northern Michigan.

I was happy to read where he served in the Air Force during the Korean War...I just have to wonder what the people who lived around his training base thought of all the noise.

In the article Alstott added, "I have to give credit where credit is due, and things are better. My fear is that things will regress in the future."

The article continued: "Col. McConnell, commander the past four years, agreed that a more cooperative relationship exists."

"The old leadership didn't pay as much attention to the concerns of the area residents," said McConnell."

It is quite evident the Colonel did not know Col Ed. Rutkowski, who served the longest as camp commander in its history. I'm sure that Adjutant Generals McDonald, Schnipke, Johnston and Andrews (those Guard commanding generals whom I knew) were quite concerned with the activities at the Camp.

It was not the lack of concern for the area residents by the commanders who followed Rutkowski...it must have been the decision of those in control in Lansing who decided to

make the Camp the final stepping stone for a Colonel to retire...like turning them out to pasture...for a couple of years.

The ones that served a short time, did their best...and I'm sure they had the interest of the guard-civilian relationship, Colonel.

The camp contributes about \$20 million annually to the Grayling-area economy.

Back to the Detroit News story: "'The base is definitely an asset to the community,' said Lynn Porritt-McConnell, executive director of the Chamber of Commerce. 'Last year, when their was talk of cutting back (on base operations) the chamber's board went on record urging the military to continue at least the level of activity we had last year.'"

Rusty Gates, a renowned trout fisherman, (I'm really impressed), who heads the Anglers of the AuSable and owns a 16-room lodge on the AuSable, said the fact that the chamber head is married to the base commander "shows the chamber is in bed with the military. The chamber wines and dines the military because they view it as a cash cow when in fact it's driving people away from here."

I wonder how one would define the kind of bed-fellows Alstott and Gates are?

I'm ashamed I know all those money hungry merchants...all they are interested in is milking that military cash cow.

After all, I'm sure those fishermen and environmentalists would gladly subsidize the \$20 million, plus the taxes that operate our school system, city-county governments and other agencies that rely on the tax dollar.

The article once again, "Gates, whose lodge is situated just two miles south of the \$9 million tank range that opened last summer, said the camp threatens the area's fishing."

With that rhetoric and the claim by the DNR wanting to remove the

dam on I-75 Business Loop (at Ray's Canoe Livery) I'm surprised there is even one trout in the AuSable.

Possibly Gates could check with Eric Sharp, Free Press Outdoor Writer, and meet John Schneider, Sr. (Sharp recently wrote an article about Schneider.)

Seems as John Sr. caught five 20-inch brown trout in less than three hours and lost two more at least that big while fishing the AuSable River near Grayling. On another night he took his son John Jr. on his first night fishing and the 10-year-old landed a 16 1/2 inch brown.

CLINTON IN CHINA

Just a few lines on my favorite topic...with the President in China, he ignored U.S. pressure to avoid Tiananmen Square. I wonder if he bowed to President Jiang Zemin to show his allegiance. After all one can't scorn Chinese with deep pockets.

At first, I wondered why Hillary had to accompany Slick Willie...but then it dawned on me...she had to go along to keep him away from the Geisha gals.

Jiang said he will tell Clinton that no missiles will be sold. If you believe that, I have something else.

A reliable source said that a number of astrophysicists have come to the conclusion that the moon is definitely made up of green cheese.

What others have said...

* FIT TO PRINT: A Wednesday New York Times headline reads, "China Agog at Clinton Visit (He's a Hero Akin to Nixon)." Yep. He sure is.

* OPEN DOOR POLICY: NBC's Conan O'Brien on Al Gore's name recognition: "In a recent poll, 25 percent of Americans would not know Al Gore if he showed up at the front door; 12 percent though he was the front door."

Nuf said...

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Being prepared for a disaster could save your life

Do you know what to do in the event of a disaster? Do you have a family survival plan? What happens to your family should they be separated during a disaster?

Disaster can strike quickly and without warning. It can force you to evacuate your neighborhood or confine you to your home. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they can't reach everyone right away.

The Crawford County Office of Emergency Management has information that can assist you in preparing for and surviving a disaster.

The Civil Defense Act of 1950 created a program focusing on attack-related aspects of Civil Defense, specifically nuclear attack, and did not address other disasters.

Amendments to the Act in 1980 and 1981 added natural (including technological) disasters. With the fall of communism and the end of the cold war, the program became Emergency Management and now focuses more with natural and man-made disasters.

In our area the biggest threats are from wildfires, severe weather, and hazardous materials accidents. Although much of the material in this article can relate to any disaster, I would like to focus on severe weather.

Severe weather can strike at any time of the day and night, many times without warning.

On May 31, 1998, a relatively small tornado touched down east of Frederic. Although there was a significant amount of damage, most of the damage was confined to downed trees and power lines.

There were some structures damaged and, fortunately, no one was injured. High winds also downed trees and power lines in portions of

Beaver Creek and South Branch Townships with this storm.

Tornadoes are frightening realities. We can't prevent them, but with the National Weather Service's Doppler radar, predicting where and when they strike is becoming more of a reality.

The tornado of May 31 was detected on Doppler radar.

Your chances of surviving increase when you are informed and prepared.

A tornado watch is issued when conditions are favorable for tornadoes to develop. Watches are issued for a large area and for a longer period of time, usually two-to-six hours. When a watch is issued be alert for changes in the weather and be prepared to act quickly.

A tornado warning means that a tornado has been spotted or indicated on Doppler radar and you should seek shelter immediately.

In Crawford County, we have a warning telephone fan-out system for business, industry, schools, and the hospital. This system does work but it is slow in that it depends on many phone calls being made. There has been no adequate system in use to alert the general public.

Sirens are designed to alert the population when outdoors and even at their best can only alert about 5% of the population.

The best form of warning available now is NOAA Weather Radio. The National Weather Service office in Gaylord has recently installed new equipment and transmitters to make this signal available.

During severe weather, National Weather Service personnel can interrupt routine weather broadcasts and insert warning messages concerning immediate threats to life and property. A special alert tone can be

activated that triggers an alerting feature on specifically equipped receivers.

NOAA Weather Radio is not just for emergencies. It is a round-the-clock source of weather reports and information to help you prepare for the day ahead. Routine information is normally repeated every 4 to 6 minutes, and is updated at least once an hour.

Special radios that receive only NOAA weather radio, both with and without special alerting features, are available from several manufacturers. These are priced from \$20 to \$70. Like smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, this is another piece of life saving equipment that should be in every home, business, school, and hospital.

The National Weather Service also offers an excellent weather spotter program. This is a program that benefits both you and the weather service. You learn what to look for in developing weather conditions and the Weather Service gains another set of eyes to report conditions to them.

When a warning is issued, if you are at home, seek shelter in the basement under something sturdy. If there is no basement, a small room in the middle of the house (a closet or bathroom) is best. Always stay away from outside walls and windows.

At work or school, designated shelter areas are best. Stay away from large open rooms like auditoriums and gymnasiums, and rooms with windows. Lie low with hands covering the back of your head to reduce neck injury.

Following the storm, check people around you for injuries. Check utility lines and appliances for damage. If you smell gas, open the windows

and turn off the main valve. Don't turn on lights or appliances until the gas has dissipated. If electric wires are shorting out, turn off the power. When you go outside, watch out for downed power lines.

Notify your insurance agent and provide as much detail as possible about damage to your property. Take steps to protect your home and furniture from further damage. Don't be rushed into signing repair contracts and keep receipts for living expenses beyond your normal ones and for temporary repair costs.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross have developed a series of pamphlets to help you prepare for and survive a disaster.

Did you know that in a major disaster you should be prepared to survive three days without help? Your Families Disaster Supplies Kit pamphlet will help you prepare a survival kit with the necessary supplies.

Your Family Disaster Plan and Emergency Preparedness Checklist will make it easier to develop a plan your entire family can follow in an emergency. Other pamphlets include, Wildfire, Are You Prepared? and Helping Children Cope with Disaster.

If you are interested in any of these informative booklets, would like information on the weather spotter class or NOAA Weather Radio, stop by the Emergency Management office located in the rear of the Crawford County Annex building, or mail your request to: Crawford County Emergency Management, P.O. Box 146, Grayling MI 49738-0146. Or, call 348-2841 ext. 268.



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Fireworks Safety Still a Concern

LANSING — This is the time of year when deaths and injuries caused from fireworks become a major concern. The Michigan State Police Fire Marshal Division is reminding everyone to be careful with fireworks and to follow the law, whether you are using fireworks in your back yard or attending a public display.

"It is important for our citizens to know what is legal and what is not legal when it comes to firework devices," commented Captain Wade Schaefer, State Fire Marshal. "We are not able to stop all of the illegal devices from being sold, so it really places the responsibility of knowing

what is legal on the consumer."

Under the Michigan Fireworks Law, legal fireworks include: flat paper caps, toy trick noisemakers (fun snaps, pop-its, etc.), sparklers, fountains that are cone shaped and emit a shower of sparks, toy snakes, toy smoke devices, and signal flares (including railroad emergency signal devices). Illegal fireworks include: cherry bombs, comets, firecrackers, M-80's, bottle rockets, roman candles, silver salutes (M-100), and torches. If the firework makes a loud bang, leaves the ground, spins or twirls, then it is illegal.

Violators of the fireworks law are

guilty of a misdemeanor, which can result in up to 90 days in jail or a \$100 fine.

Community leaders and local units of government responsible for issuing permits for public displays should be sure to follow the safety standards set forth in NFPA 1123 (National Fire Protection Association 1123, Code for Fireworks Display). The Michigan Fireworks Law gives the authority and responsibility for safety at public fireworks displays to local units of government, and NFPA 1123 can be a valuable tool for determining what the requirements should be.

"We don't want to see anyone in Michigan injured or killed as a result of making the decision to go to a public fireworks display," added Captain Schaefer. "Watching a professional fireworks display is a tradition at many Independence Day celebrations and other summer festivities. We want it to be safe for everyone, so we have strongly encouraged local units of government to follow the safety standards set forth in NFPA 1123."

The National Council on Fireworks Safety estimates that 7,600 people were treated for fireworks-related injuries in 1996. Approximately 2,000 eye injuries are caused each year by consumer fireworks. About one-third of these injuries result in permanent eye damage and one-fourth result in blindness.

Children from age five to 14 are

the ones most frequently involved in fireworks-related injuries, pointing out the need for close adult supervision of all fireworks activities. All fireworks can be unpredictable, including those that are considered legal under Michigan law. Always remember that even legal fireworks need to be handled with extreme caution.

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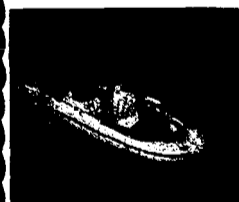


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"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

"That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

"That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness."

Believing in, and fighting for these moral absolutes, expresses the heart and soul of America's past experience: On D-Day, June 6, 1944, President

Franklin Roosevelt began his radio address to our nation with a prayer which evidenced the continuation of our national unity and purpose:

"Almighty God: Our sons, the pride of our nation, this day have set out upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our Republic, our religion and our civilization, and to set free a suffering humanity." In World War II, we defended our form of government, our faith in God, our culture, and the unalienable rights of others around the world to share in these same freedoms.

James Madison, the father of our constitution, said, "We have staked the whole future of American civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We have staked the future of all of our political institutions upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves, to control ourselves, to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God."

President Woodrow Wilson once said, "A nation which does not remember what it was yesterday, does not know what it is today, nor what it is trying to do. We are trying to do a futile thing if we do not know where we came from or what we have been about."

Lord Devlin, famous British jurist once said, "A sense of right and wrong is necessary for the life of a community. Without it the society will destroy itself. History shows that the loosening of moral bonds is the first stage of disintegration." As Karl Marx said ... Our spiritual and moral condition in America is growing worse day by day! (Psalms 9:17) "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

(Psalms 33:12) "Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance." Oh God! Please forgive us of our sins, and revive us again!!

"Pastor B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

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Young people take part in Adopt-A-Highway

Students from Seventh-day Adventist help community

A local one-room school has really taken to the idea of helping others. Students from the Grayling Seventh-day Adventist School under the direction of their teacher, Dave Pflugrad, have shown that they too can make a difference in their community.

The nine students in the one-room school are active in a local nursing home, giving a hand-chime choir concert, making Christmas baskets, and helping the residents make Valentine cards.

They also cleaned up small debris

from a construction project at Camp AuSable, followed with ice-cream treats.

Another unique contribution is with the "Adopt-a-Highway" project.

If you travel north past Grayling on I-75, you will notice a sign that designates the next two miles have been adopted by the Grayling Seventh-day Adventist School.

This means that three times a year, the school children, their parents, and other church members, pick up debris along the roadway, bag it, and place it next to the mile markers for the trucks to pick up.

The school children have fun doing this and are surprised at the different objects they have found. Wallets, life jackets, butterflies, bungi cords, and clothing are some of the fun ones.

Screams of delight are heard as

they find pop cans and announce, "Money for Jesus!"

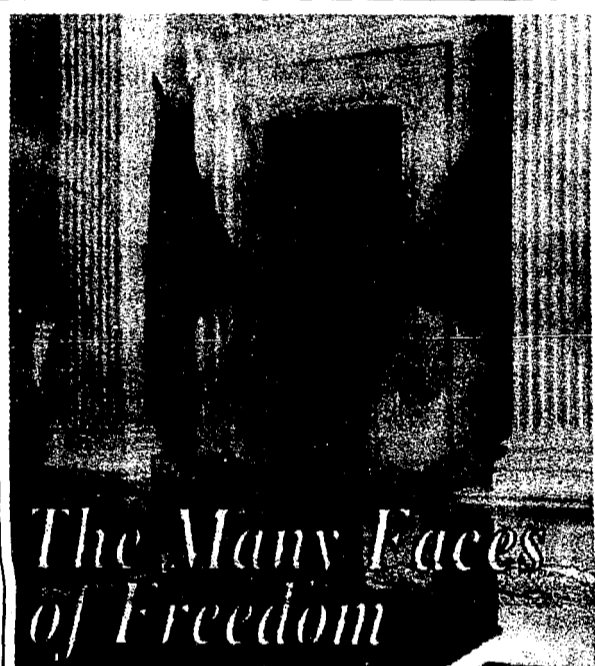
The students balance their outreach program with informational tours. They have visited the fire station, Pizza Hut, the local hospital, the National Weather Service Station, the Post Office, 911, and the State Capitol building. Yet to come this spring is a trip to a new planetarium.

Kathy Piehl, coordinator for some of the special projects, also seeks help from the parents and church members.

The additional helpers lighten the burden of transportation to and from events and add that special touch of caring for the children.

The Grayling Seventh-day Adventist School encourages everyone to search out and find something that will help others and brighten our beautiful community.

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13:1-20
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John
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Hebrews
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Friday
John
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Saturday
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High School bond issue may get a second chance

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Crawford County voters may get another chance to vote on improvements and an addition to Grayling High School.

At the June 15 Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education meeting, board members discussed the election results with some saying that the issue should not be changed for any

future election.

By law, the same proposal can not be presented to the voters within six months of the last election in which it appeared on the ballot.

No decision was made by the board regarding when the proposal would be put before the voters again. The board decided to postpone further discussion of the issue until the fall.

On June 8 the issue failed to pass by an overall

vote of 993-866. The voters in the Grayling Precinct approved the proposal with a vote of 768-739.

The proposal lost in Frederic and Lovells with a combined 98 "yes" votes and 254 "no" votes.

December 8 is the first date that the school board may present the high school bond proposal to the voters for reconsideration.

Chairpersons to lead schools in curriculum management

Twenty-nine positions filled at area schools

The Crawford AuSable School's Board of Education took final action recently to approve department chairperson positions and their job descriptions as recommended by the District Administrative Team. The board authorized posting of the positions at their May meeting so that selections could be made prior to the end of the 1997-98 school year.

Department chair positions, numbering 29 in all, are being created. They include a department chair within each of the four large district buildings for language arts and world languages, mathematics, science, health and physical education, and social studies.

Also included are department chairs for each of the five district buildings in special education, a high school department chair for non-core business/technical curriculum, a department chair for the high school, middle school and one serving all three elementary schools for non-core academic curriculum.

Department chairs will:

- Provide leadership for curriculum development and implementation;

- Participate with other department chairs in district-wide curriculum coordination activities;
- Disseminate and coordinate information;
- Coordinate textbook and materials distribution and requests;
- Coordinate the development of department budgets;
- Participate in the hiring and training of department personnel.

The following is a list of the Site Based Leadership Department Chairpersons for 1998-99:

Grayling High School
Language Arts and World Languages - Chuck Spencer; Mathematics - Mike Dean; Science - Kathy Iler; Health and Physical Education - Rodney Patterson; Social Studies - Damien Barrett; Non-Core Academic - Dennis Ormsbee; Mark Binert; Non Core Business/Technical - Ron Rakoczy; Special Education - Maureen Nowak.

Grayling Middle School
Language Arts and World Languages - Marti Ingvarsson; Mathematics - Adair Aumock;

Science - Doug Pummell; Health and Physical Education - Cindy Jones; Social Studies - Mary Nama; Non Core Academic - David Gotti; Special Education - Lori Johnson.

Grayling Elementary School
Language Arts and World Languages - Mary Smock; Mathematics - Mark Whitaker; Science - Dawn Feldhauser; Health and Physical Education - Mike Neff; Social Studies - Laurie Canfield; Special Education - Deanna Johnston, Doug Simons.

AuSable Primary School
Language Arts and World Languages - Patty Hawkins; Mathematics - Kami Zimmerman; Science - Karyn Rauch Smock; Health and Physical Education - Karla Goetz; Social Studies - Kelly Simmons; Special Education - Brenda Vaughan.

Frederic Elementary School
Health and Physical Education - Mike Neff; Special Education - Chris Lauria.
D.J. Brown will represent all three elementary schools in the Non Core Academic area.

The following is a list of School Improvement Team (S.I.T.) and Child Study Team Chairpersons:

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Grayling Middle School
Child Study and S.A.P. Chair - Lori Johnson; S.I.T. Chair - Brenda Tuskan.

Grayling Elementary School
S.I.T. Chair - Mark Whitaker.
AuSable Primary School
Child Study and S.A.P. Chair - Patty Hawkins; S.I.T. Chair - Kelly Moffitt.

Frederic Elementary School
Child Study and S.A.P. Chair - Pat Nunn; S.I.T. Chair - Tim Branch, Bonnie Pratt.

Serving in the position of District Professional Development Committee Chairperson is Marti Ingvarsson and District Improvement Team Chairperson, Bernie Dosch.

Nunn presents Frederic curriculum to school board

Frederic Elementary School Principal Pat Nunn recently presented the school's kindergarten through fifth grade curriculum to the Crawford AuSable School District's board of education.

The curriculum, which Nunn recommended for adoption, integrates board-adopted curriculum in all areas in a format useful for staff and parents and is consistent with the grades three-five curriculum adopt-

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The board will consider the recommended curriculum for adoption at its July 20 meeting.



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School board adopts 1998-99 budget

The Crawford AuSable School District's board of education adopted the 1998-99 District General Fund Budget at a special meeting on June 22, following a public hearing.

The 42-page detailed budget projects revenues of \$13,798,975 and expenditures of \$13,569,158.

Revenues could decrease if the district enrolls fewer students than projected and increase if the state legislature decides to increase the foundation grant for the next school year.

The district expects a fund equity of nearly \$830,000 at the close of the 1997-98 school year. A fund equity of this size is necessary in order to maintain a positive cash balance as some inventory items, including school buses, must be counted into the calculation.

The school district's fiscal year begins July 1 and the State of Michigan does not begin to make state aid payments until September.

Therefore, in addition to the positive fund equity, the district took action in May to borrow money in order to meet payroll and benefit costs and in order to pay bills during the first three months of the school year.

Also during the same special meeting, the board took action to approve expenditures from funds to be received as part of the *Durant* settlement resulting from the State's violation on the Michigan Constitution.

The district will receive 50 percent of the settlement, \$200,198, in November, with the remainder being paid over the next 10 years.

Annual payments of \$20,020 will be made to the district, with the first to be received in November.

State settlement funds are also due the district through COOR Intermediate School District with one payment of \$142,372 expected in November and the remainder being paid in ten annual installments of \$14,237 each.

Money received in the 50 percent settlement in November may only be used for durable goods. Money received in the annual installments can be used for other items, including textbooks and technology.

The board approved the use of the 50 percent *Durant* settlement funds during the 1998-99 school year for the following:

- Middle school roof replacement;
- One full-size bus;

- One small bus;
- One truck for plowing at the elementary schools;
- One large gang lawn mower;
- An evaporator for waste water at the bus garage;
- Carpeting;
- Middle school floor tile replacement;
- Sprinkling the grounds at the Frederic Elementary School;
- Elementary school amplification equipment;
- AuSable Primary School classroom lockers;
- Paving the parking lot islands and building egress pathways at the Ausable Primary and Grayling Elementary Schools; and
- Burial of electrical boxes at the football field.

Health education content standards offered to board

The Crawford AuSable School's District Health Curriculum Committee recently presented recommendations to the board of education for K-12 health curriculum.

The curriculum is based on the Health Education Content Standards and Benchmarks recommended by the District Health Education Advisory Committee as required under Public Act 226.

Members of the committee include area medical and health professionals, members of the clergy, parents, school board members, and health educators.

The committee adapted their Content Standards and Benchmarks from that of the State of Michigan Health Education Content Standards and Benchmarks.

The committee proposed the following health education vision statement: *Health education is that continuum of learning experiences which enables people, as individuals and as members of social structures, to make informed decisions, modify behaviors, and change social conditions, in ways which are health enhancing.*

Students learn to obtain, interpret and apply health information and services in ways that protect and promote personal, family and community health.

Eight content standards upon which the curriculum is based include standards applied to:

- health concepts
- accessing information
- health behaviors
- external influences on health
- goal setting and decision making
- social skills
- health advocacy
- human sexuality

Specific objectives for lower elementary, upper elementary, middle school and high school are included within each of the eight content

standards.

The health curriculum is unique in that the most instruction addressing the objectives is integrated into core curriculum areas including science, physical education, social studies, and language arts.

The curriculum specifies how and where that integration will take place and the specific materials and resources to be used.

The district committee will meet with the advisory committee in July to present the detailed curriculum and specific resources and materials to be used.

Upon approval of the advisory committee, two public hearings regarding the curriculum and materials will be held as specified in Public Act 226.

Following approval by the advisory committee and the public hearings, the board will consider the curriculum for adoption at its August 17 meeting.

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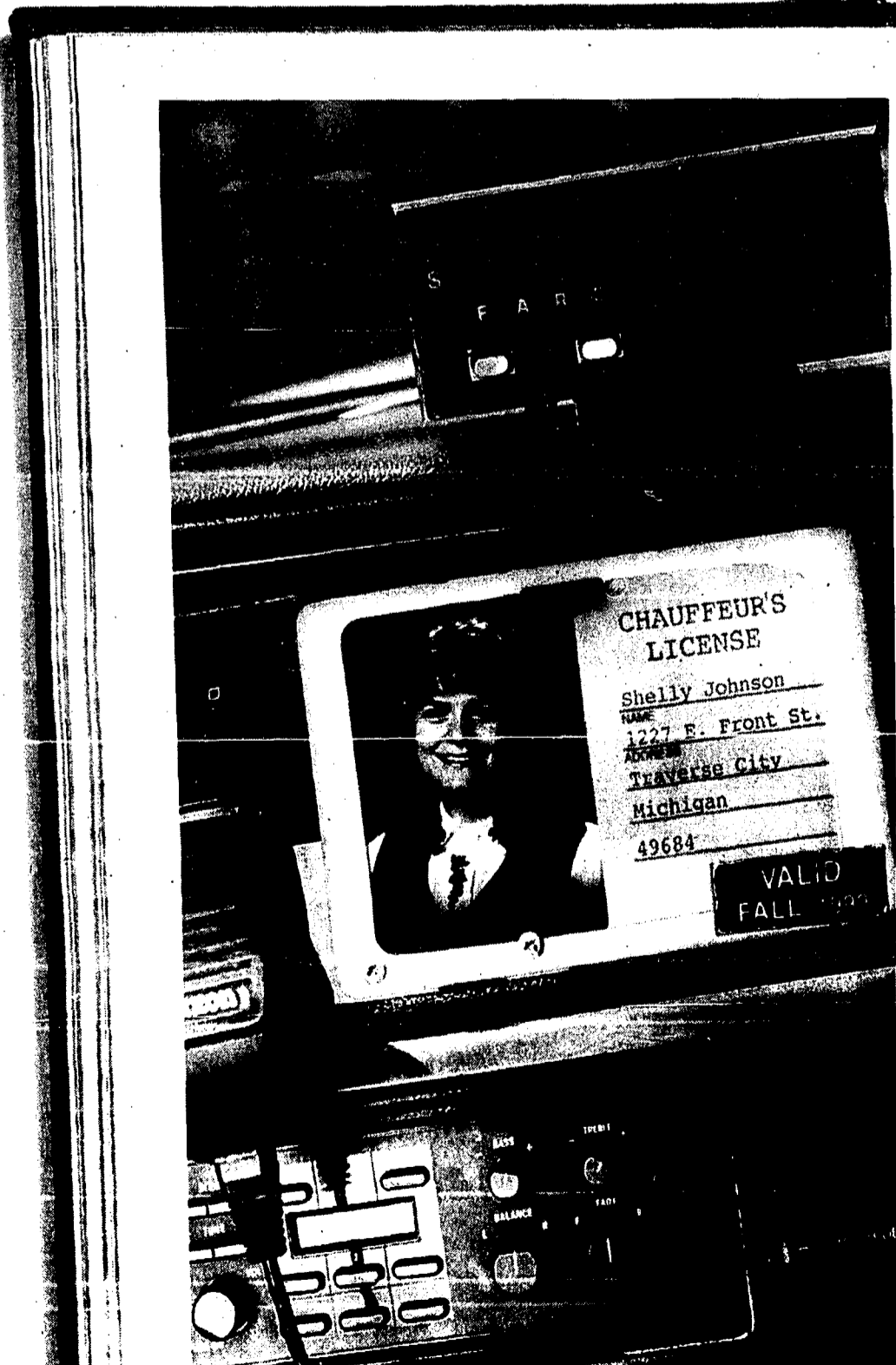
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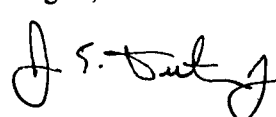


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Massive tobacco tax bill dies at Senate

The defeat of the big tobacco tax bill in the U.S. Senate was a big victory for the small business people who make their living in the wholesale and retail trade. That's according to Polly Reber, President of The Michigan Distributors & Vendors Association, the major group whose members account for most of the wholesale tobacco trade in Michigan.

"Big taxes and big government were not popular with anyone and that's why the bill went down," Reber said. "And the defeat of this bill takes away a potential financial hardship for thousands of store owners."

According to Reber, the tobacco bill to raise cigarette taxes to \$1.10 per pack would have doubled the price of a pack of cigarettes in just a few years. "Retailers make very little profit on individual items and must depend on volume sales for profit," Reber explained. "If a product as important as tobacco doubles in price, there would be a huge reduction in sales volume and store owners would feel it quickly."

"There has never been a bill that would have had such a big negative impact on one particular group of business," said Reber, who explained that in many convenience stores, tobacco sales account for more than 30% of sales volume.

Reber urged members of the wholesale and retail communities to redouble their efforts and keep in contact with their congressional delegations.

The Michigan wholesalers realize that cutbacks in tobacco purchases would also mean layoffs of employees in warehouses, offices, and among truck drivers throughout the state.

"People are not aware of how many families depend on jobs that involve the sales and distribution of tobacco products," Reber said. "We were literally fighting in Congress to save our businesses."

The president of The Associated Food Dealers of Michigan said that his industry avoided a major financial crisis among small businesses when the massive tobacco tax bill died in the United State Senate.

"The defeat of the tobacco tax was great for the taxpayers and for everyone who believes in keeping

the federal government out of our lives," said Joe Sarafa, President of The Associated Food Dealers of Michigan.

"I believe it was unfair to impose such a high tax on just one segment of our society," said Sarafa. "And in the end, I know that most people, smokers and nonsmokers, saw this bill as simply a big tax where money would go to create more big government agencies. That's why it was rejected so often in the Senate."


"We also opposed the legislation

because the bill actually did little to reduce youth smoking. There were no penalties or real disincentives for minors to reduce consumption," said Sarafa.

"Our country missed a prime opportunity to stop youth smoking and create a fair situation for retailers," Sarafa said.

Sarafa encouraged all of the members of his association to keep working on the issue by continuing to contact members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

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Youth for Understanding will place teens from all over the world in U.S. Host families needed for exchange students

As one group of Youth For Understanding International students prepares to return to their home countries, another group is awaiting the exciting news that a host family has been secured for them, a family which will provide a home including three meals a day and a separate bed, and all the tender loving care they would provide for their own children during the student's exchange year.

Among the students hoping to hear soon about their Michigan family are:

• Carina, is an only child who enjoys basketball, computers, movies, reading and soccer, along with two main interests: piano and ping-pong. She will be 16 when she arrives from Germany. She prefers a non-smoking host family and would prefer that her host family not have a dog. She is Protestant and willing to attend church with her host family. Carina describes herself as ambitious, adaptable, sociable, and persevering. (#083)

• Jane, will be 16 when she arrives from Germany. An only child, she enjoys bicycling, listening to music, playing the piano often, volleyball and reading. She's Catholic and is willing to attend church. She loves nature — "its animals, plants and wonders" — and spending time with friends. (#135)

• Dan, from Brazil, has two younger siblings and will be 15 when he arrives this summer. He enjoys computers, attending concerts, movies, listening to music, reading, playing soccer and swimming. He's Catholic and willing to attend church. He's

considering a career as a dentist. Dan describes himself as timid, as well as optimistic, intelligent, curious, and a bit stubborn at times. (#158)

• Bastian is a German boy who lives with his mother and younger sister. He's interested in arts and crafts (pottery), hiking and backpacking, movies, skiing, tennis and computers. He'll be 17 when he arrives in the summer. Bastian has no religious affiliation, prefers a non-smoking host family, does not want to live with a dog, but a cat is okay. He "cooks with a passion" and describes himself as open-minded. He's interested in challenges (he's studying Japanese) and enjoys traveling with his family. (#173)

• Gabriel, from Mexico, prefers a small town placement. He has one younger sister and will be 18 when he arrives in August. He's Catholic and willing to attend his own church or his host family's church occasionally. He likes animals, computers, movies, photography, reading, soccer and volleyball. He enjoys studying economics, history and science, and plans a career in marketing. (#353)

Youth For Understanding (YFU) is one of the largest student exchange programs in the world, having exchanges over 145,000 teenagers since 1951. Each year 500 students from over 40 countries in Europe, Latin America and the Pacific area are placed with qualified Michigan host families.

Host families provide a family setting while students attend local high schools and participate in

family, school and community activities.

Youth For Understanding provides placement and supervision as needed throughout the exchange year, travel arrangements, insurance, orientation programs and other necessary support through a network of 150 local volunteers statewide.

Couples with and without children at home, as well as adults in one-parent families may volunteer as host families. Anyone interested in hosting one of these students — or looking for information about other possibilities—should contact their nearest Youth For Understanding volunteer - Vicki Borchers in Roscommon at (517) 275-4886 or the Michigan YFU office at 1-800-872-0200.

Sault Sainte Marie International Bridge project complete

Deck work on the center spans of the Sault Ste. Marie International Bridge linking Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, with Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, is complete. Removal and replacement of the asphalt deck surface from the Canadian Arch southward to the U.S. arch spans began May 7, 1998, and finished June 24.

"We promised to have this work done in time for the June 27 Bridge Walk, and we did," said State Transportation Director James DeSana. "Maintaining international links to promote economic, tourist and recreational opportunities is vitally important to Michigan and to our northern neighbors."

The work involved removing existing asphalt deck surface, demolishing upper portions of the

concrete deck and replacing it with concrete overlays.

"We're very happy we could do the work in May and June of this year, minimizing the impact on motorists during the peak summer tourist season," continued DeSana. "The contractor Kenaidan Contracting Limited, was able to stay on target and finish on time."

The Canadian approach portion of the bridge was resurfaced in 1996. The last phase of resurfacing work will be on the U.S. approach and will be undertaken in May and June 1999. The \$1.5 million U.S. cost of this contract is paid from bridge tolls.

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Baynham started working in the woods in 1957, using his own trac-

tor to skid, load and unload by hand. He now employs six workers, harvesting and delivering pulpwood to Weyerhaeuser at Grayling and Northern Timberlands at Alpena.

"The guys working for me have been with me for years. I don't have inexperienced help," he said.

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For more information contact Jeff Riker at (517) 348-5714.

Local pharmacist attends national pharmacy meeting

Jeff Steffey, MBA, R.Ph., FAPP, Director of Pharmacy for Mercy Health Services North in Grayling, recently attended a national gathering of pharmacists at American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP's) Annual Meeting '98: Education and Exhibits in Baltimore.

Steffey was among nearly 5,000 pharmacists who participated in a variety of educational opportunities available at the meeting.

ASHP is the 30,000-member national professional association that represents pharmacists who practice in hospitals, health maintenance organiza-

tions, long-term care facilities, home care and other components of health care systems.

ASHP believes that the mission of pharmacists is to help people make the best use of medications. Assisting pharmacists in fulfilling this mission is ASHP's primary objective.

The Society has extensive publishing and educational programs designed to help members improve their delivery of pharmaceutical care, and it is a national accrediting organization for pharmacy residency and pharmacy technician training programs.

Kalkaska adds new service

The Top O' Michigan Service Center ion Kalkaska can now accommodate walk-in business.

New customer service representatives have been recently hired to man the service center from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. They are in addition to the existing field personnel at the service center who handle electricity

and propane hook ups and service.

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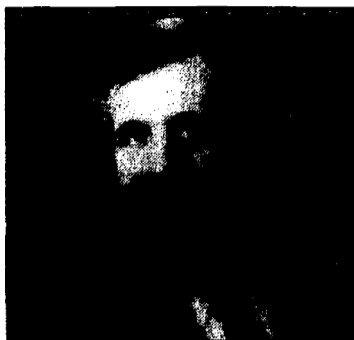
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PERSPECTIVE

Camp wins Benjamin Franklin Award

Washington, D.C. — Representative Dave Camp has been presented the Benjamin Franklin Award for his sponsorship of legislation to repeal the federal inheritance tax, the so-called "death tax."

It was Benjamin Franklin who said: "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes." Because of the death tax there is a third certainty: taxes AFTER death. The Benjamin Franklin Award recognizes the efforts of Rep. Camp to end the third "certainty."

A recent poll commissioned by the 60 Plus Association by Kellyanne Fitzpatrick of the *polling company* revealed that 77% of the public feels that the death tax is unfair and is more likely to vote for a member of Congress who is in favor of total repeal.

Jim Martin, 60 Plus Chairman, said, "if 77% of the public favors repeal, then I suggest that 97% of seniors favor repeal, not because they are wealthy, but because they are morally outraged by a tax which is applied to after-tax assets. The only thing that triggers this macabre tax is dying, which we don't believe should be a taxable event.

"Support for repeal also cuts across political and philosophical lines. It's a revenue loser according to a recent study by the conservative Heritage Foundation's economist Bill Beach who points out that the same money re-invested in business expansion would create hundreds of thousands of new jobs, producing far more tax revenues.

"While USC law profes-

sor Edward McCaffery testified before Congress that as 'an unrequited liberal' he felt that redistributing wealth as the law intended was counter productive and that 'ample economic evidence' now exists to show that the tax is a hindrance to job expansion which would help working men and women.

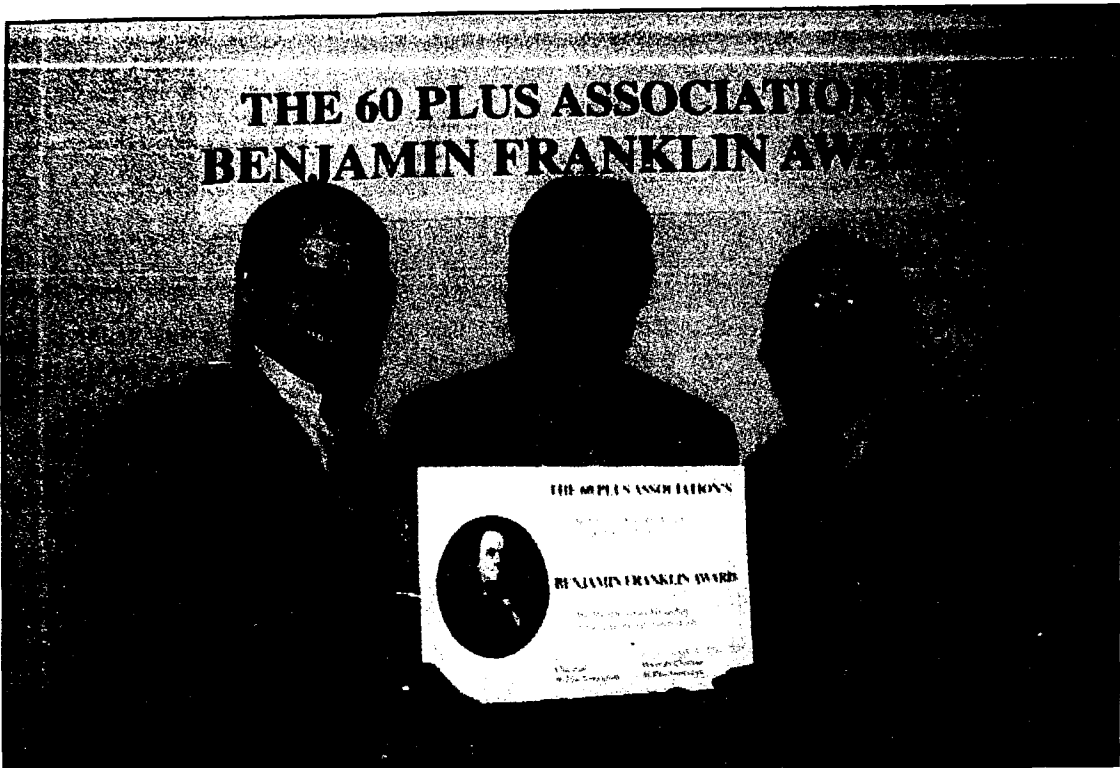
"It hurts most those least able to pay. Minority-owned businesses cite the tax as a major obstacle to creating more jobs. Small 'mom and pop' businesses, farmers and the like, are hard pressed to find the ready cash to pay Uncle Sam 55% of their assets as the death tax requires."

"McCaffery concludes that serious thought should now be given to total repeal," Martin emphasized.

"It is through the efforts

of Rep. Camp that the death tax will be repealed. The overwhelming majori-

ty of the public agrees with Rep. Camp and it is through his leadership that repeal of the death tax will be possible," Martin concluded.




CAMP RECEIVES AWARD - 60 Plus Chairman Jim Martin, left, and Honorary Chairman Roger Zion, right, present the Benjamin Franklin Award to Representative Dave Camp in recognition of legislation sponsored by Camp to repeal the federal inheritance tax or death tax.

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JULY



| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|--|---|--|--|---|
|  10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman" | 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Dance with George | 10:00 - Activities Committee 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 1:00 - Open Poker 5:30 - "BK" Bingo | Bell Hearing Clinic 1:00 - 3:00 | 4th of July Holiday Center Closed |
| 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman" | 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Movie Night "Sabrina" Harrison Ford Julia Ormond | 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 1:00 - Open Poker 5:30 - Birthdays & RSVP White Elephant Auction | "Lucky 7" Casino Trip BP's Taken 11 to Noon | 12:00 - Frederic Satellite 1:00 - Pantry - Bingo Hot Dog Sale at Glen's Friday & Saturday Sunday Brunch West, Strath 10:00 - 1:00 |
| 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman" | 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Inaugural Ball 6:00 - Ice Cream Social | 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 1:00 - Open Poker 5:30 - COA Board Meeting | Let's Do Lunch Gang Leaves at 11:45 | 12:00 - Lovelle Satellite 1:00 - Pantry Bingo 1:30 - Legal Help Pancake Brunch 10:00 to 1:00 |
| 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman" | 1:00 - Euchre Club Come One Come All 5:30 - Yahrzee | 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 1:00 - Open Poker 5:30 - Dominoes | BP's Taken 11:00 to Noon Senior Citizen's Day at the County Fair 12:00 to 5:00 | Share Pick-up 1:30 - 3:00 at LDS Church 1:00 Pantry Bingo Sunday Potluck 2:00 - Bring a dish to pass |
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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley
Commission on Aging

Special thought for the week: It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.

Things are happening at the Center! We have started an "Open Poker Club" on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Gals especially, but you guys can come along, too! (That's why we call it "open.") There are two sessions of guys on Mondays and Wednesdays, but they are strictly stag clubs. This new one will be for both, so come on in. (Penny ante, of course!) We also host a Bridge club on Mondays and a Euchre club on Tuesdays. Both are open-ended so that anyone can come and play. Bridge is a little more demanding on the number of people per table, so if you are alone, give us a call so we can make up an extra table. Give us a call at 348-7123.

Calendar of coming events: Hangman on the 29th; "let's do lunch" on the 30th; activities meeting at 10 a.m. on July 1st as well as BK Bingo at 5:30; Bell Hearing Clinic from 1 to 3 on the 2nd; and the Center is closed on July 3rd

for the holiday. Just a reminder that our congregate meals are served at noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and lunch only on Friday. We have a fruit and vegetable salad bar on Tuesdays and soup is served on Monday and Wednesday. Please try to make a reservation, if you can, by calling 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500.

MENU:
July
1 - Kielbasa Boiled Dinner / Spaghetti & Meatballs
2 - Baked Ham / BBQ Beef Sandwich
3 - Center closed for the holiday
6 - Wiener Schnitzel / Goulash
7 - Chicken Kiev / Sweet & Sour Meatballs
8 - Hawaiian Ham / Swiss Steak
9 - Fish / Baked Chicken
10 - Roast Beef / no dinner

Thought to leave you with: A nice thing about gardening is that if you put it off long enough it eventually will be too late!

Please have a good week and stop in and see us soon.

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Will she wear the crown?



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

SIGNING UP - Eleven-year-old Stacey Brown signs up as a contestant for the Crawford County Fair's Pre-Teen Miss category of the Little Miss Pageant to be held on July 22 at the Crawford County Fairgrounds. Any girl, five through 15 years of age, can still sign-up by calling Deb Weaver at 348-4220 or Sandra Moore at 348-2154.

Statewide housefires decrease in 1997

The number of reported fires in Michigan decreased 13 percent last year. Crawford County had 51 reported fires of the 49,627 fires reported statewide. That compares to 57,259 in 1996, according to a report released by the Insurance Information Association of Michigan (IIAM).

Blazes last year resulted in the death of 182 civilians and one firefighter. Another 1,359 individuals were injured as a result of the fires, which cost residents over \$654 million in property damage.

IIAM Executive Director Leanne Snay credits the drop in blazes to local fire and police departments, business and community leaders working together to promote public safety education programs.

Last year, arson and suspicious blazes accounted for 22.8 percent of the total reported fire. These blazes cost more than \$280 million.

"Fire prevention education is a priority for the insurance industry," Snay said. The industry supports a program that rewards up to \$5,000 for information which leads to the arrest and/or conviction of arsonists. The Arson Control Tip Line is 1-800-44-ARSON.

One simple way residents can increase their chances of surviving a fire is to have properly installed and maintained smoke detectors on each floor of their home.

"Smoke detectors provide an early warning which can allow residents to escape before the house is fully engulfed in flames," Snay said. "Most fire victims die from inhalation of smoke and toxic gases, rather than flames."

The insurance industry official also recommends the following tips to be fire safe:

- Plan and practice an escape route. Have your family plan an escape route which includes two exits out of each room. Choose a meeting place outside where everyone will gather.
- Give space heaters room. Keep portable and space heaters at least three feet from anything that can burn.
- Be careful cooking. Never leave food on the stove unattended.
- Teach children that matches and lighters are tools. In the hands of a child, matches and lighters are deadly. Store them in a place where a child cannot reach them or in a locked cabinet.
- Use electricity safely. If an appliance smokes or has an unusual smell, unplug it immediately and have it repaired. Don't overload extension cords or run them under rugs.
- "Stop, Drop and Roll." If your clothes catch fire, stop, drop to the ground, cover your face with your hands and roll over to smother the flames.

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ABOUT YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

Report shows long-term Social Security problems manageable

by Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner of Social Security

The 1998 Report of the Social Security Board of Trustees indicates that the Social Security long-range financial projections have improved since last year's report.

This report was released at a press conference that I attended, along with fellow Board members Robert Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury and Managing Trustee of the Board; Alexis Herman, Secretary of Labor; and, Donna Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

According to the 1998 report, the Old Age and Survivors Insurance (OASI) and Disability Insurance (DI) Trust Funds have gained three

years of solvency during the past year. Instead of a projected exhaustion date of 2029, as reported last year, the trust funds now are expected to remain solvent until 2032.

The good news can be attributed to a period of sustained economic growth, reduced unemployment rates and low inflation.

I believe that the report confirms that the long-term financing issue is one of manageable proportions. Although there is no immediate financial crisis, the time to act is now to prevent a crisis from ever occurring.

In 2032, the trust fund reserves

will be exhausted, and income going into the trust funds will provide enough money to pay only three-quarters of benefits. In 2013, a year later than predicted in 1997, income from taxes will be insufficient to meet all obligations, and it will be necessary to begin using interest income to pay benefits.

Beginning in 2021, it will be necessary to redeem trust fund assets to pay benefits. Over the 75-year long-range actuarial forecast, the predicted shortfall is now 2.19 percent of taxable payroll, rather than 2.23 percent, as noted last year.

In addition to the cash benefits

trust fund projections contained in the report, the financial condition of the Medicare trust funds is discussed. The report shows that the Hospital Insurance (HI) Trust Fund would be exhausted in 2008. Last year's report had indicated that the HI trust fund would be exhausted by 2001. The longer solvency period is due primarily to legislative changes.

Kirtland Community College President's List and Dean's List

Kirtland Community College has named student's to the President's and to the Dean's Honor Lists for the Winter Semester, 1998 (which ended on May 15, 1998). These lists are enclosed.

To be named to the President's List, students must take a minimum of 12 credit hours and maintain a 3.800 to 4.0 grade point average for

those hours.

To be named to the Dean's List, students must take a minimum of 12 credit hours and maintain a 3.400 to 3.799 grade point average for those hours.

Those that made the President's list were: Amanda Bartenfelder and Randall Britt of Roscommon; Arun Houlton of Grayling; Shirley Keesler of Roscommon; Natascha McCuan and Susan McNally of Grayling; Debra Near of Roscommon; Bethany Pettyjohn of Grayling; Audry Reghi and Linda Rose, both of Roscommon; Shawn Schnoor of Grayling; Erick Skinner of Roscommon; and, Ryan

Christensen of Grayling.

Those that made the Dean's list were: Erica Baker and Elizabeth Barber, both of Roscommon; Jeremy Colby and Joshua Colby, both of Grayling; Craig Cousineau of Roscommon; Shelli Entrup of Roscommon; Thomas Graziano of Roscommon; Melanie Joles and Laura Jordan, both of Roscommon; Christopher Kucharek of Grayling; Rebecca Livingston of Roscommon; John Moua of Grayling; Kathryn Pratt of Roscommon; Wendy Seabolt of Roscommon; Jodi Shultz of Roscommon; and, Michalina Wargo of Grayling.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Sheriff's report showed: six burglary; three larceny; three property damage; five public peace; four citations; three health and safety; one invasion of privacy.

One conservation; two miscellaneous crimes; one minor; nine accidents; four non-traffic accidents; four traffic safety PR; four false alarms; two accidents other.

One inspection of property; nine civil/family trouble; four suspicious situations; three lost/found property; one missing person, 23 general non-criminal.

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office reported a total of 93 incidents for the week of June 22 to June 29, 1998.

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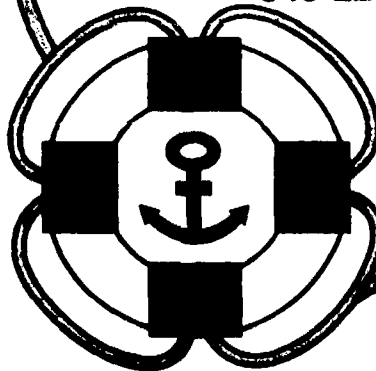
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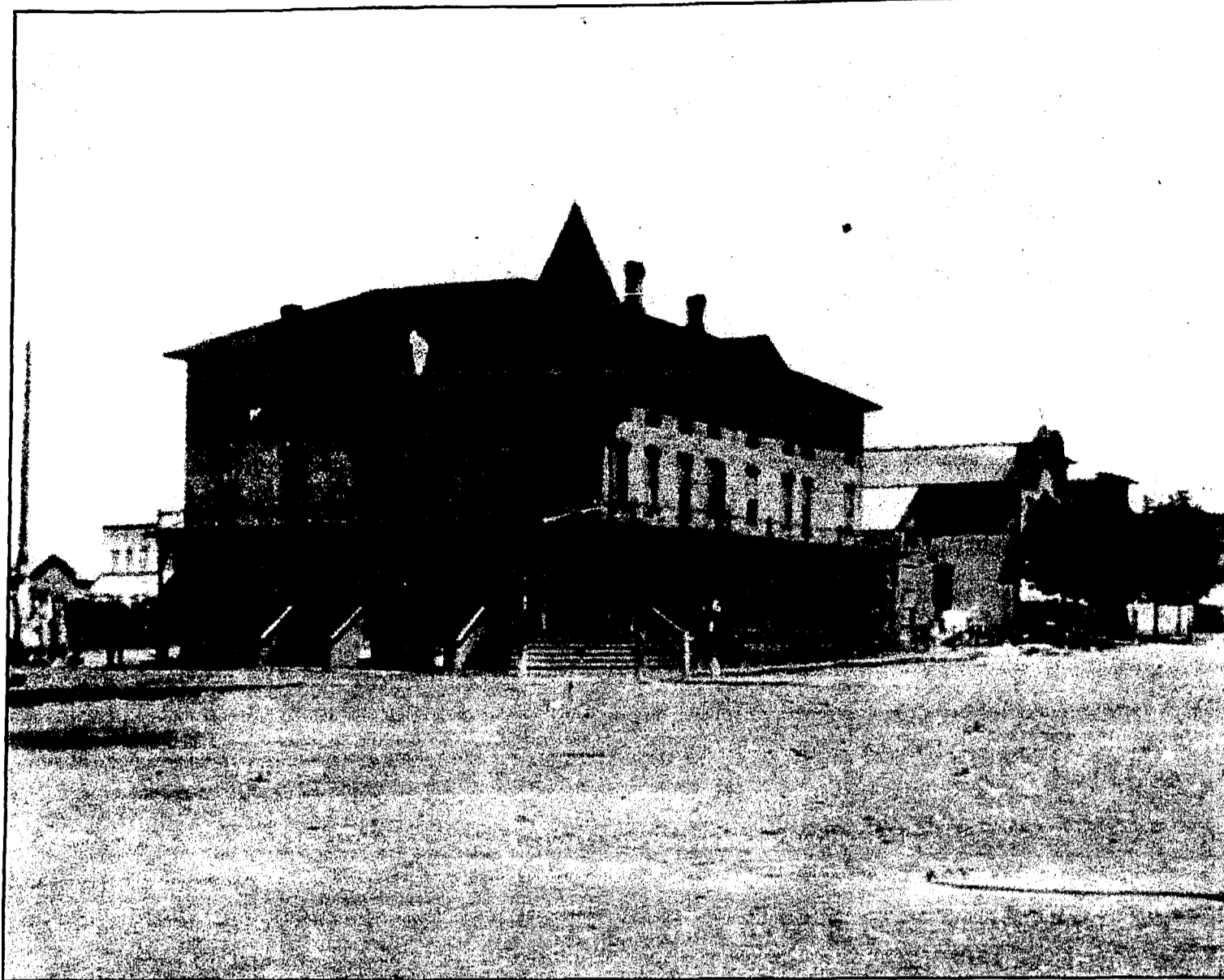


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NEARLY A CENTURY AGO -- The Shoppenagon Hotel before it burned, circa 1902.

Tax reform required despite our economic performance

by Richard H. Collins

Chairman of "The American Miracle"

Back when a Japanese company bought New York's Rockefeller Center, many politicians and pundits wrote off the U.S. free market economy as too old fashioned. To succeed, they argued, the U.S. should form "government-industry partnerships" like our competitors overseas. Targeting "winners" had such appeal that candidate Bill Clinton made industrial policy a campaign issue in 1992.

Since then, however, the American economy has outperformed Japan and Europe by almost every measure. This was possible not by co-opting our competitor's industrial policies, but by avoiding them. According to Investor's Business Daily, GDP rose 18.4% between 1990 and 1997, compared

to an 11.5% increase in Germany and 8.7% in Japan.

The U.S. has added 15 million net jobs in the private sector since 1990, and 36 million since 1982. Meanwhile, Europe has added no net new jobs since early in the 1980s.

In addition, America's jobless rate is at a 28-year low compared to the double-digit unemployment in some European countries. American capital is one-third more productive than capital in Germany or Japan. The world's fastest growing corporations are American ones, and our small businesses remain the world's best job creators.

Given this outstanding economic performance, why is the cry for overhauling the American tax system louder than ever before? I think the answer lies in the shabby way our tax code treats the great middle class. The tax burden on this group is at an all-time high, with much of the load hidden from plain view.

The culprit for high and hidden taxes is the payroll tax. Payroll taxes are not just those paid directly by the worker, but also taxes paid by the employer on the employee's behalf -- taxes that don't show up on the pay stub.

This is real money. Most working families pay more in Social Security and Medicare payroll taxes than they shell out in income taxes. In

fact, payroll tax hikes long ago wiped out the benefits of the 1980s tax cuts for middle income Americans.

Since 1966, the combined payroll tax rate has spiked from 8.4% to 15.3% today -- keeping a lid on wages and reducing take home pay. As a result of these higher taxes, the average manufacturing worker today costs an employer \$14.89 an hour, but (according to the Cato Institute) the worker takes home only \$10.79.

Payroll taxes are especially painful when middle class Americans find themselves shoved into the 28% tax bracket. This puts the middle class into the highest of these marginal tax brackets, even above the 39.6% rate of the wealthiest Americans.

Add to this high tax rate the systems horrific complexity (including 480 tax forms and 280 forms to explain them), and it is evident why dissatisfaction with the system is widespread.

The most talked about reforms include swapping the income tax system for either a flat tax or a sales tax. Each proposal offers improvements over the current system, including reduced complexity, increased honesty and fairness.

Other reforms focus only on a revamp of Social Security. A bill proposed by Sen. Patrick Moynihan,

for example, would let workers put 2% of their Social Security taxes into a savings account.

Whatever shape tax reform ultimately takes, the tax squeeze on the middle class must be relieved. Without reform, the system will squeeze the middle class even tighter. Not only will more Americans be bumped into the 28% bracket, the Alternative Minimum Tax will snare more middle-income taxpayers over the coming decade. This tax, originally designed to affect "the rich," will increasingly dilute the personal exemptions of taxpayers with incomes between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

Now is the perfect time for reform. Government surpluses are coming in faster than the Congressional Budget Office can make revisions. Meanwhile, federal government spending has reached a record 20.1% of GDP. Despite these record-breaking revenues, Washington is intent on expanding, not reducing the role of the government. Ironically, rather than placing a ceiling on spending, budget balancing has set a floor on federal outlays.

Middle class America should not be penalized for the American Miracle of the 1990s. Congress must cut taxes immediately, or middle class voters will want to know the reason why.

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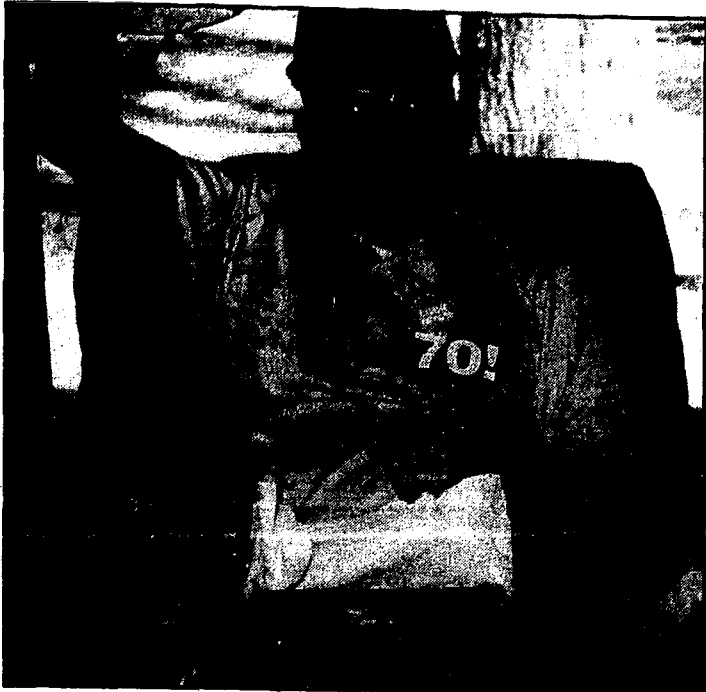
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Berry celebrates 70th birthday



Lloyd Berry celebrated his 70th birthday at a picnic with family and friends at the Hartwick Pines State Park pavilion on May 23.

Czuba and VanHorn to wed



Tiffany Lynn Czuba, daughter of Peggy and Richard Dixon of North Pole, Alaska, and Dale Czuba of Grayling, will marry Joshua VanHorn, son of Cindy and Dean VanHorn of North Pole, Alaska, on July 14, 1998.

Tiffany is a 1996 graduate of Gongaga University, receiving a Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting. She is employed as an accountant for Walsh, Kelliher and Sharp.

Josh is a 1996 graduate of Whitworth College, receiving a Bachelor of Business Administration in management and is working at Mapco Refinery.

A July 14th wedding is being planned to take place at A Special Memory Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada. The couple will then honeymoon in Mexico and return to North Pole, Alaska, where they will make their home.

Tiffany is the granddaughter of Betty and Junior Palmer and Arlene Czuba, all of Grayling. Josh is the grandson of Curtis Tomlinson of LeConte, Fla., and Pauline Tomlinson, Melbourne, Fla.

Senior Day at the county fair

Thursday, July 23rd, is Senior Day at the County Fair from 1 to 6 p.m. Free Admission. Bingo, dancing to the music of Tina Kennedy, crafts display, judging of the crafts, baked goods sale and a whole lot of fun for everyone!

Crafts are to be brought into the Senior Center by the 22nd and given to Eva Hulbert, who is in charge of the Craft Show. They will be on display by 11 a.m. on the 23rd in the White pavilion at the fairgrounds. Also, there is a baked goods sale to

tickle your taste buds! Please get all of your baked goods into the center on July 22nd to either Marion Mapes or Jan Farley.

Senior Bingo will be from 1 to 3 p.m. with very special prizes. We are having a King and Queen again this year, as well.

Dancing, with Tina Kennedy, will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Be sure to bring your friends and neighbors, and all come and enjoy yourselves at the fair!

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MILITARY NEWS

Coast Guard Ensign Daniel Warren

Coast Guard Ensign Daniel R. Warren, son of Donald B. and Susan L. Warren of Roscommon, was recently commissioned to his present rank and received a Bachelor of Science degree upon graduating from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn.

Warren underwent four years of extensive study in engineering, mathematics, physical and marine sciences, management and government, Coast Guard history, military justice, marine biology, computer sciences and physics, and a variety of elective courses leading to a baccalaureate. An active physical fitness program was also included in the program.

Summer on-the-job training afforded Warren an opportunity to gain professional experience at Coast Guard vessels and at shore installations.

Training cruises provided practical instruction in basic seamanship, navigation, ordinance, gunnery and communications.

He is a 1994 graduate of Roscommon High School.

Marine Staff Sgt. Timothy A. Grenke

Marine Staff Sgt. Timothy A. Grenke, son of James R. and Carolyn V. Grenke of Frederic, recently completed the Motor Vehicle Operator Course at Marine Corps Detachment, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Grenke acquired the specialty skills and technical ability necessary to operate light and medium tactical wheeled vehicles during various field and convoy operations.

Grenke spent more than 1,800 hours of classroom instruction and practical application learning how to drive designated courses on and off road. He also conducted vehicle recoveries and inspections, simulated driving vehicles under blackout conditions and learned how to prepare operator, maintenance and accident forms.

The 1985 graduate of St. Marys Academy of St. Marys, Kan., joined the Marine Corps in February 1986.

FREDERIC ALUMNI NEWS

by Bessie Feldhauser

The Frederic High School Alumni Association was very pleased to have a much larger crowd in attendance at the Annual Reunion, held on Saturday, June 27, at the American Legion Hall.

Everyone was welcomed by President Jim Madill, after which he introduced the honor class of 1948 - Joan Madill Kaiser, Edith Payne Qualman, and Barbara Duncley Miner, the three attending out of a possible eight.

A prayer and moment of silence for all our deceased alumni was offered by Fred Allen, after which 82 Alumni, spouses and friends enjoyed the delicious meal prepared by the Legion Auxiliary Ladies.

After dinner a raffle was held and a ladies sweat shirt and two hand crocheted doilies were auctioned with Dean Welsh acting as auctioneer.

Card Of Thanks

I would like to express my appreciation to friends and family, especially my children, who attended the May 24 Open House for my birthday, and for grandson's (Dave and Dan Wynn) high school graduation. It was truly a great surprise, and wonderful to see everyone. The cards and gifts were very much appreciated.

Elma Canfield Galloway Combs

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period of July 1 through July 7, 1998.

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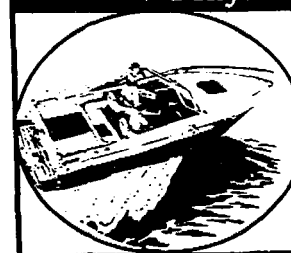
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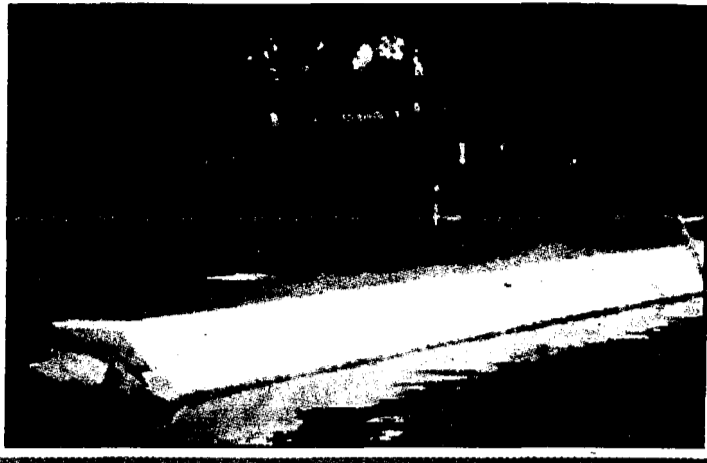
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Head Start is a free comprehensive child development pre-school program for children, three to five years of age, who meet eligibility requirements. The goal is to increase social and educational skills.

When applying, parent or guardian should bring proof of income (current and '97 W-2's), a copy of the child's birth certificate, the child's immunization record, parent's or guardian's social security numbers, insurance information and Medicaid card (if applicable).

Applications will be taken by appointment only.

Call for an appointment at
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"This will be the last scheduled Round-Up"

Anglers gather for Trout Bum Bar-B-Q

AuSable longboat memorial moved to Ray's Canoe Livery

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Michigan Outdoor Writers Association (MOWA) and Steve Southard of Ray's Canoe Livery unveiled the recently moved Ausable longboat memorial stone at the Fourth Annual Trout Bum Barbecue.

The barbecue, held on Saturday, June 27 at Ray's, is held yearly during the hex hatch, and is used as a fundraiser to benefit stream improvement.

The event was attended by anglers from all over the nation. In addition to the barbecue, the fishermen participated in casting competitions, an art raffle, a rod raffle and the building of custom fly rods.

As part of the festivities, Southard and Bob Semion, President of MOWA, removed the veil on the memorial rock.

At the request of MOWA, the memorial was moved from the Grayling Fish Hatchery to Ray's Canoe Livery on Friday, June 26, and then prepared for the unveiling ceremony to be held at the Trout Bum party.

"The Fish Hatchery is closed nine months out of the year," said Bob Bishop of MOWA. "We just wanted more people to be able to see and appreciate the rock and the rock's message about the AuSable longboats."

According to Bishop, the AuSable longboats were used back in the tree-cutting times to deliver foodstuffs to the lumberjacks. After the

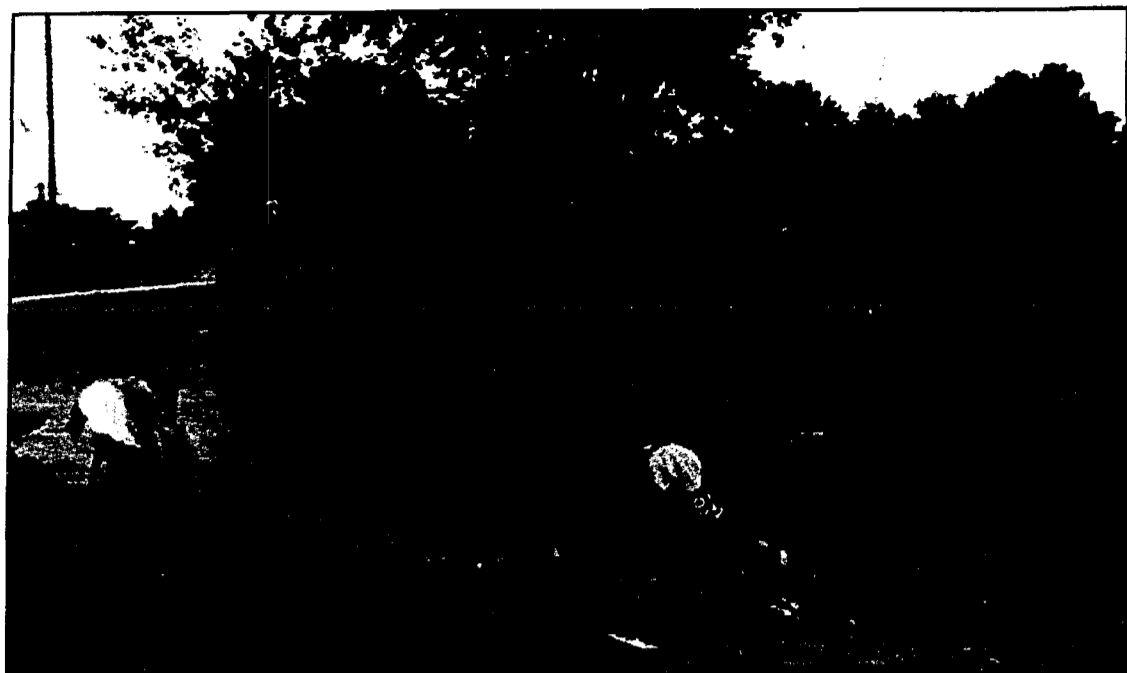


photo by Caleb Casey

FLY CASTING COMPETITION -- Trout Bum participants competed in a friendly casting competition. Contestants were encouraged to bribe the judges. A couple of the casting contests included: "Royal Flush," which involved casting into a toilet bowl set up across the river, and "Croakie Bar," in which casters had to land a line close enough to a toy frog to make it croak.

forest was depleted, said Bishop, the boats continued to be used because people were used to taking rides in them.

The rock commemorating the longboats was first dedicated 11 years ago by MOWA, at what was then the Department of Natural Resources Fish Hatchery.

The Association approved the proposed move of the stone at its June meeting, and made arrangements with Ray's Canoe Livery to have it set there.

"It's where it should be," said one Trout Bum participant. "By the river."



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CASTING TECHNIQUE -- Steve Southard gives a casting lesson using a broom rod.

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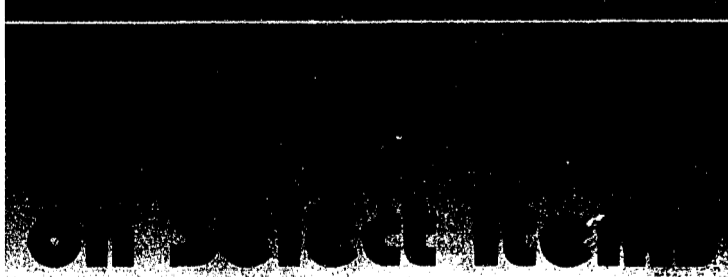


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Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, July 2, 1998

Mud Bog and Mud Drag Race results

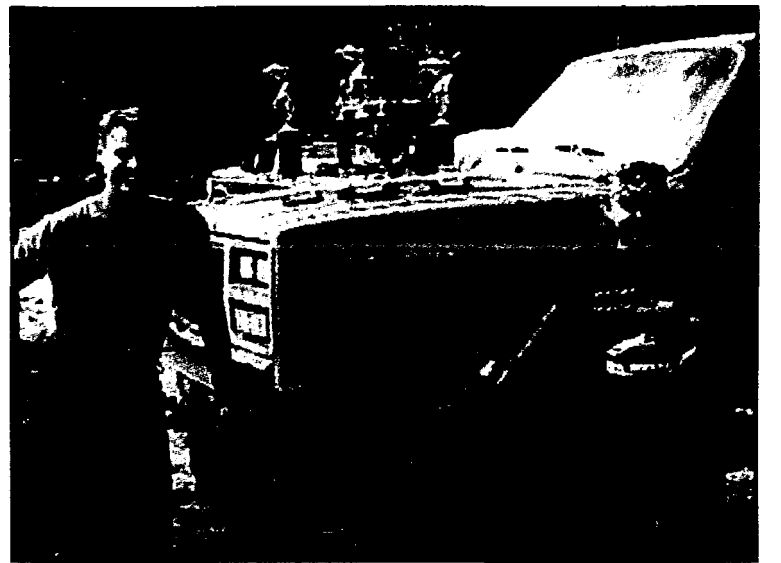


Hundreds of spectators turned out Sunday, June 28, at the Crawford County Fairgrounds to watch Mud Bog and Mud Drag racing.

Competitors travel all over the state, country and parts of Canada vying for titles after working countless hours building up their vehicles to handle the muddy terrain of the bog and drag tracks.

Local drivers raced well at this event and talk of next week's competition in East Jordan.

MUDSLINGER - (Left) Here is just one of many trucks that challenged the mud bog.



LOCAL WINNERS - (Above) "Super Dave" Reichelderfer, left, and Rolly Wilkins, right, stand in front of one the trucks they raced in the mud bog. Dave picked up 1st and 2nd place trophies and Rolly earned a 3rd place trophy. (Below) Missy Wakeley, left, and Kevin Wakeley, right, proudly stand in front of the truck that earned three trophies in Sunday's competition.

MUD BOG

36 and Under - Stock

1. Todd Wakeley, Grayling 8.25
2. Jim Green, Grayling 9.50
3. Jeff Reichelderfer, Grayling 11.1

36 and Under - Modified

1. Kevin Wakeley, Grayling 10
2. Cory Moshier, Grayling 10.3
3. Cory Moshier, Grayling 10.4

36.5 and Over - Stock

1. Brian Hoffman, Rhodes 9.7
2. Dave Reichelderfer, Grayling 10.5
3. Rolly Wilkins, Grayling 11.3

36.5 and Over - Modified

1. Al Sumerix, Wolverine 6.4
2. Ted Myer, Roscommon 9.22
3. Dan Klee, Grayling 10.19

Exotic

1. Pat Evans, Kalkaska 8.59

MUD DRAG

Pro C

1. David Hanes, East Lansing 2.42
2. Matt Hosenpental, Beulah 2.449
3. Brian Michael, Orleans 2.653
4. Mark Newsom, Clarkston 2.663

Super Stock I Open Tire

1. Joe Humpert, Gaines 3.632
2. Gary Heusted, Otter Lake 3.996
3. Jerry Clark, North Branch 4.173
4. Eric Klos, Fenton 4.269

Modified - B

1. Mark Newsom, Clarkston 2.739
2. Tom Dupuis, Auburn Hills 3.034
3. Andy Richmond, North Branch 3.119
4. Gary Heusted, Otter Lake 3.216

Pro A

1. Dave Hanes, East Lansing 2.292
2. Paul Hosenpental, Benzonia 2.308
3. Gary Heusted, Otter Lake 2.63
4. Brian Michael, Orleans 2.65

Street Stock I

1. Dave Reichelderfer, Grayling 8.057
2. J.R. Duvall, Hale 8.642

Street Stock II

1. J. R. Duvall, Hale 6.645
2. Randy Duvall, West Branch 6.866

Modified - A

1. Duane Renshaw, Clio 2.987
2. Tom Dupuis, Auburn Hills 2.999
3. Art Nelson, Otisville 3.068
4. Joe Lieberman, Howell 3.092

Super Stock I

1. Joe Humpert, Gaines 3.872
2. Jerry Clark, North Branch 4.131
3. Kevin Watson, Holly 4.180
4. Eric Klos, Fenton 4.208

Super Stock II

1. Art Nelson, Otisville 3.227
2. Duane Renshaw, Clio 3.349
3. Tom Dupuis, Auburn Hills 3.388
4. Randy Muchler, Linden 3.468

Modified - D

1. Gary Heusted, Otter Lake 2.886
2. Joe Bernal, Holland 2.945
3. Don Newsom, Ortonville 2.965
4. Andy Richmond, North Branch 3.116

All winning times are in seconds

Mud Race photos by Cheryl Ruley



Commissioner candidates for the August 4 primary

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The following is a partial list of people who will be on the ballot for the Crawford County Board of Commissioners primary election, which will be held on August 4. Candidates for the commissioner seats for Districts 1-4 will appear in future editions of *The Crawford County Avalanche*.

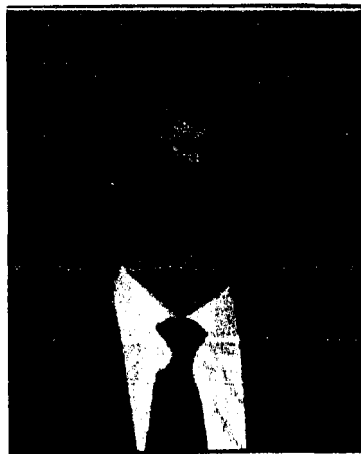
District #5 (Precinct #304)

Robert Smock, Jr. currently works as a counselor. He holds an M.A. in Guidance and Counseling Education as well as a B.S. in Business Administration.

He enjoys fly fishing and bow hunting, and works as a riverboat guide in his spare time.

Smock and his wife of 23 years, Mary, have three daughters: Katie, 20, Amanda, 18 and Kristen, 12.

Smock currently serves on the



Robert Smock, Jr.
Running as: Republican

County Board of Commissioners. "Up to this point, being a Crawford County Commissioner has not been fun. And yet, I think it can be and will be," said Smock. "My work is not done as a commissioner. There has been every reason in the world to quietly not run again."

"I can't do that -- I want to be part of making this place the great place I believe it is," continued Smock.

"As a true public servant, I don't quit when the going gets tough. I'll quietly walk away when the job is done."

If re-elected, Smock said he would like to: "1. Hire a full-time County Manager, by cutting Commissioners' salaries and eliminating the confidential secretary position 2. Present a balanced budget 3. Open the airport year round (new agreement with the military or a new fishing) 4. Designate Grayling: 'Fly Fishing Capital of the Eastern United States' 5. Reduce the size of county government 6. Develop Grayling Fish Hatchery."

Smock said that the most important issue facing Crawford County right now is "management. No one should run a \$5 million governmental business with 10 co-employers (six commissioners and four department heads). We need now, and have for 20 years, a full-time County Manager."

"I am a moderate," said Smock. "The six member county board has been difficult and yet I am optimistic. Grayling and Crawford County have an extremely bright future. It takes teamwork and the ability to bring the right and the left together."

"As a moderate, I believe I have the skills and abilities to bring a 'common sense' board together," concluded Smock.

"I have 25 years of local governmental experience," said Elizabeth Wieland, "13 of which were in Crawford County and 12 in Grayling Township."

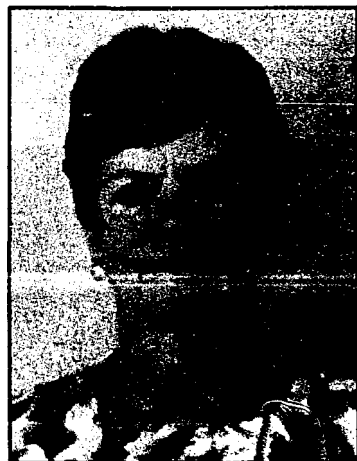
"I also served 12 years with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in several counties in Michigan, including Crawford."

Wieland is a high school graduate with some college credits and has taken various special courses relating to the "operation of local government."

Wieland and her husband Michael, a retired teacher, moved to Grayling in 1965. The Wielands have three children: Joseph, Jeanette

and Sheryl, all of whom graduated from the Crawford AuSable School District.

Wieland enjoys skiing, hunting, camping, traveling, sewing and reading.



Elizabeth Wieland
Running as: Democrat

"If elected, I hope to establish a good working relationship with all elected and appointed officials who serve the people of Crawford County," said Wieland.

"I feel the most pressing issues facing the county at the present time are financial stability, safety, economic growth, good jobs, a clean environment and good service to our residents."

"My 13 years as County Clerk/ Register of Deeds gave me the opportunity to work closely with the Board of Commissioners and establish a good understanding of the requirements, responsibilities and jurisdictions of a Commissioner," said Wieland.

"I served as a board member for 12 years when I was the Grayling Township Clerk and for 20 years on the Grayling Recreation Authority. I also served on the Governor's Camp Grayling Management Advisory Committee in the late eighties and early nineties to help resolve issues between the Camp and the community."

"I believe my past record indicates that I am qualified, dedicated and concerned to serve in

this capacity," said Wieland. "I will continue to serve the citizens of Crawford County in this manner if elected Commissioner of District #5."

District #6 (Precincts #301-306)

Terry Beardslee is a mechanical contractor, specializing in both residential and commercial plumbing, heating and air conditioning.

Beardslee, upon graduation from high school, completed five years of apprentice school and earned a mechanical license, as well as licenses as a master plumber and boiler installer.

He has been married to his wife Gayle for 35 years. The Beardslees have three married sons, all of whom work with the family business. Gayle also works as office manager for the company.

"Hunting, fishing, snowmobiling and walking in the woods are some of the things I enjoy," said Beardslee. "Most of all, I like spending time with my grandchildren and helping people."



Terry Beardslee
Running as: Republican

"I also raise horses," he added. As far as working on the Board of Commissioners is concerned, Beardslee said, "I have been in business for 28 years and feel very comfortable working with people on a business and personal level. I take great care in being an honest,

dependable person."

"I would like to see the Board of Commissioners work together as a united board in order to accomplish goals to better our community," said Beardslee.

"Also, I would like to help the Board develop a better relationship with the people of our community so that they can feel confident in decisions made by the board."

Beardslee believes that the most pressing issue facing Crawford County is "making sure there is a balanced budget and that each department is able to work efficiently within their budget."

"I feel the Sheriff's Department needs to provide proper protection throughout the entire county with equal protection to each township," said Beardslee.

"We need to help build a stable economy and encourage new businesses to locate in our county. Small businesses can be the backbone of our community. Also, the county has much to offer in the area of outdoor recreation," said Beardslee. "As a Board of Commissioners we need to promote and encourage businesses involved in attracting tourism to our area."

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Bruce T. Bretzke, Sr. is a retired

police officer from Flint, as well as a retired small business owner.

Bretzke and his wife Pamela have been married for 34 years. They have a daughter, Angela, and a son, Bruce, Jr., both of whom have families of their own.

Bretzke is a 1960 graduate of Fenton Michigan High School and completed his police schooling at Mott Community College in Flint. He also has four years of U.S.A.F. military intelligence.

Bretzke's hobbies include: "church, hunting, fishing, target shooting, numismatics, sumo wrestling and politics."

"We must be very prudent and wise in the use of each and every tax dollar designated for county use," said Bretzke. "Better oversight and review of both elected and appointed department head budgets

is a number one priority if we are to maintain county service at the current level without a tax increase."

"Crawford County is 536 square miles populated by approximately 12,000 people and owned 80 percent by the state and federal government," said Bretzke.

"The most pressing issue is that the state and feds expect the 12,000 to pick up the tax tab for all public service, while they skip out with the top cream profit (timber sales, oil and gas lease, hunting and fishing license fees, federal user taxes and



Bruce T. Bretzke, Sr.
Running as: Republican

etc.)."

"The State of Michigan should either provide the money or the labor for public safety," continued Bretzke. "Both the state and feds should be putting more back into our county as they deplete the natural resources which belong to us all. These are goals upon which I will continue to work."

Bretzke cited one of his personal strengths as being "the ability to separate fact from fiction, and then make proper decisions based on that truth."

"This I have accomplished as the incumbent 6th District County Commissioner in leadership roles such as Ways and Means Chairman, Chairman of the Board, Law Enforcement Chair and active liaison to the Commission on Aging and the Road Commission."

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Park hosts Adventure Program

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This week's calendar includes: *Butterflies, Moths & Caterpillars* at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1. Learn about these creatures' characteristics and possibly catch one, too! Meet at Marl Lake.

Also on that day, at 3 p.m., check out *Wetland Wonders* for some pond exploration. Remember to wear water shoes and meet at Marl Lake.

On Thursday, July 2, at 4 p.m., will be a *Fern Hike*. Learn how to locate and identify the different ferns in the park. Meet at Marl Lake.

At 7 p.m., that same day, will be a *Nature Hike*. Come and explore the Ridge Trail. Meet across from the campground office.

On Friday, July 3, at 4 p.m. will be *Oh Deer!* Learn all about deer and their habitat. A game will be played, too. Meet at the campground ballpark.

Mammal Mania will be held that evening at 7 p.m. Participants will learn about the animals in the park and play a game. Meet at the campground ballpark.

Most activities in the Adventure Program last about one hour. People of all ages are invited to take advantage of this series. Kids under six years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

For further information on the Adventure Program or directions to the park, call (517) 821-8936.



Photo courtesy of the Latuszek family

GUS MACKER CONTENDERS - Jeremy Latuszek, Dan Hall, Matt Mitchell and Chris Youngblood took second place in their division at Gaylord's Gus Macker Basketball Tournament on June 14. The team was sponsored by D & I Construction of Grayling.

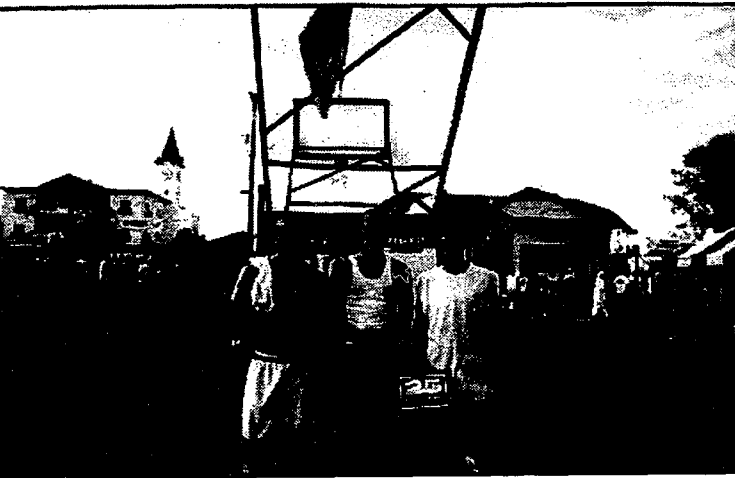


Photo courtesy of Monica Dent

GUS MACKER WARRIORS - Josh Sheldon, Kyle Maples and Rob Dent took second place at the Gaylord Gus Macker Basketball Tournament on June 14. The team was sponsored by Buccilli's of Grayling.



Hartwick Pines State Park to host July 4 'Hydrology Day'

Participants can kayak, canoe and learn about Michigan's many water resources.



Hartwick Pines - The Michigan Forest Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines State Park will be hosting its first annual Hydrology Day on July 4. Special activities will run throughout the day.

Featured guest, author Jerry Dennis of Traverse City, will be at the Visitor Center from 1 to 3 p.m. to read from and autograph copies of his latest book, *The River Home*.

Mr. Dennis is a well known outdoor writer and has been published in such magazines as *Sports Afield*, *Smithsonian*, *Wildlife Conservation* and *Canoe and Kayak*.

At the Lakes: Another special guest is Scott Barkdoll, from Honor. He will set up at the Bright and Glory Lakes area to demonstrate his canoe restoration skills from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visitors will have an opportunity to try out some of his restored watercraft on the lake as well.

Youth (under 17 years of age) fishing lessons/demonstrations will take place at the lakes with a chance to catch trout, large-mouth bass or blue gill from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. All equipment is supplied. Limit 15 participants.

The park will also be offering canoe and kayak rides and lessons at Bright and Glory Lakes throughout the day beginning at 10 a.m.

At 1 p.m. you'll have a chance to visit with a 19th century river hog at the lakes as he explains the importance of the river to the early logging industry.

At the Visitor Center: Logging museum tours will take place at 12 noon and 3 p.m. along with a bog stomp at 2 p.m.

A "Learn about the Beaver" program, common loon program and fly-tying demonstration will also be part of the day's activities.

A groundwater model demonstration will be located in our Visitor Center classroom. Display times include 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Special video features include *Waterwalker* at 10 a.m. (90 minutes) and *Rise and Fall of the Great Lakes*, a video tracing the glacial era and modern day level of the Great Lakes, approximately 30 minutes in length at 3:30 p.m.

A number of different children's activities will be offered throughout the day; free wetland and river posters will be available at the Visitor Center front desk, while supplies last.

Hydrology Day is designed to introduce people of all ages to the wonders of Michigan's water resources.

A state park motor vehicle permit is required for park entry.

WILDLIFE - A raccoon pokes its head out of a hollow tree.

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Local hoopsters take part in Red Hacker basketball action



Photo courtesy of Monica Dent



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RED HACKER PLACERS – Dan Hall, Rob Dent, Kyle Maples, Josh Sheldon, Jeremy Millikin and Travis Hulbert took second place in their division at the Grayling Red Hacker Basketball Tournament on June 27. The team members sponsored themselves.

RED HACKER FIRST PLACE WINNERS – The team of Lori Hinkle, Natalie Garipey and Jamie Dent took first place at the Red Hacker Basketball Tournament in Grayling on June 27. The team was sponsored by Blue Chip Industries of Mio.

June 27 Speedway racing results

It's hard to believe but it's true: Frank Seder won his first Feature of the year at Merritt Speedway Saturday night, when he won the Soaring Eagle/ Parts Plus Winged Outlaw main event.

Seder took the lead from early leader Garry McKinley with only three to four laps to go. Bruce Vance was second, followed by Joe Johnson on a flat tire, and fourth place finisher Don Marcoullier.

Chad Foster took the "B" main ahead of Mike Goodwin, Mark Tossey, Carl Jussola, Steve Anderson and Don Hawley.

Eric Spangler and Rail Rokos won the heats and Steve Poel took the dash over fast qualifier Mike Nichols, Johnson and Seder.

With only five laps to go, Brent Banning was in the fourth spot in the Michigan Modified feature and went on to win the race over Dennis Boyce, second place, Joey Fowler, third, and fourth place Greg Wangler.

Nate Brezenger won the "B" main ahead of Kim Myas, Clay Chambers, Gary Eisenga and Kevin Spenser. It was Brooke Braisington, Chad Bauer, Mark Kurth, Jim

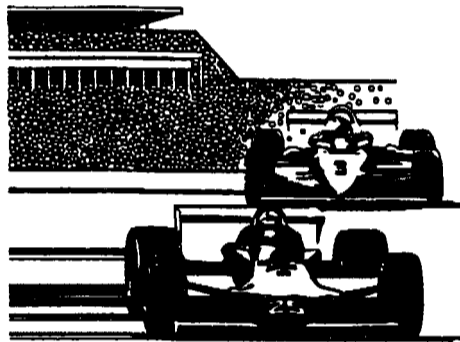
Walfogel and Dave Hatfield in the "C" main.

Heats went to Rick Urbach, Bill Whittington, Bob Kingen and Bill Oliver. Kurth took the dash honors over Jim Coil, Banning and Braisington.

The Pro Truck feature saw only two leaders, Matt Mead and the winner Ronnie Hill. Hill took the lead early and went on to win, followed by Mead, and Matt Saxton, who battled fourth place finisher Tom Kushmaul for the third spot and came out in front.

Hill and David Schram won the heats, and Rollie Anderson took the dash over Mead, Saxton and Kushmaul.

Jim Kinney took his first feature win of the year as he won the Street Stock main with Louie Peterson on his tail. Gerald VanWormer, Jim Lucas, Joe Chambers and Tom Blake were neck and neck, all trying



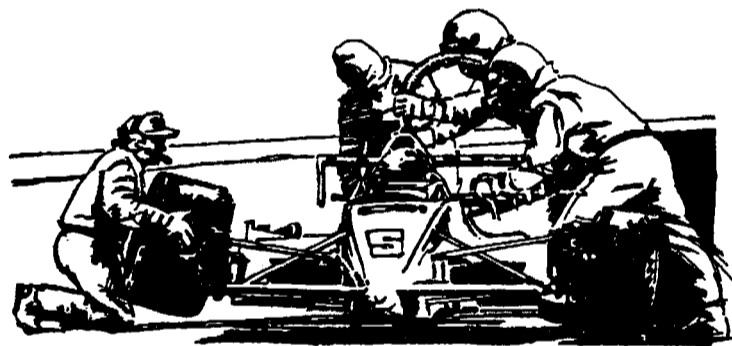
for the third place spot, and finished in that order.

It was Ray Harvey, Allen Haskins and Tom Coon in the "B" main, and Richard Clay, Chris Wiggins and Gordy Bundy in the "C" main.

Louie Peterson, Kinney, Haskins and Wiggins won the heat races.

The evening was topped off with a big fireworks display.

On Saturday, July 4, Merritt will host the Thomas Motors Mid Season Championships, as well as the R&K General Store Michigan Modified Double Down.



PINE WHISPERS

by Joanne Howd
Hartwick Pines State Park

Happy Birthday America! Believe it or not it's time once again to celebrate our nation's founding. A great way to fill the time between picnics and fireworks is to visit Hartwick Pines State Park on Saturday, July 4 and experience its Hydrology Day.

Hydrology Day is designed to introduce people of all ages to the wonders of Michigan's water resources. This special event offers

something for everyone.

At the Michigan Forest Visitor Center from 1-3 p.m., author Jerry Dennis, will be reading from and autographing his latest book, *The River Home*. Programs that will be offered during the day at the Visitor Center include Learn about the Beaver, the common loon and a fly-typing demonstration. There will be a chance to learn about groundwater through a groundwater model demonstration.

Many activities will be happening

at Bright and Glory Lakes throughout the day. Special guest Scott Barkdoll will be demonstrating his canoe restoration skills from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and allowing visitors to try out some of his restored watercraft.

For youth under 17 there will be fishing lessons and demonstrations taking place from 9 to 10 a.m. All equipment is supplied and there is a limit of 15 participants.

Did you ever wonder what it would be like to talk to one of the men who risked their lives transporting logs down rivers to saw mills? On Saturday at 1 p.m., you will get your chance to talk with a nineteenth century river hog and learn about the importance that rivers played in the logging industry.

If you have any questions concerning Hydrology Day please call (517) 348-2537 and please remember that a state park motor vehicle permit is required for park entry.

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Had a great lunch of chicken Caesar salad, roll and dessert.

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COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson
Wednesday Ladies League

On June 24th, the Wednesday Ladies League had a very different kind of day for our morning play. It started out sunny, then the rain came for about five minutes; that left and we finished with overcast skies.

In Flight A, Shirley Parker and Jeanne Thompson tied for low net of 33 and Jeanne had low putts of 15.

In Flight B, Doris Birtcher had a low net of 32 and Lynda Hetrick had low putts of 14.

In Flight C, Deanne Weiss took it all with a low net of 32 and low putts of 14.

In Flight D, Sandy Jorae had a low net of 32 and Mo McNamara and Pauline Petrosky tied for low putts of 15.

We also had three chip-ins, Sherry Hanson on #14, Louise Hatfield on #16 and Deanne Weiss on #12.

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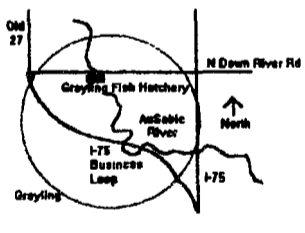
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Deadlines set for 'V-Chip' technology

FCC supports TV Ratings System

The FCC took two family-friendly actions that will enable parents to be more selective when deciding what their children would be allowed to watch.

The Commission found the program rating system currently in voluntary use acceptable and set technical requirements, often referred to as "V-Chip technology," enabling blocking of video programming.

Half of all new television sets, 13 inches or larger, will have the "V-Chip" by July 1, 1999, and the remaining half by January 1, 2000.

Some companies already are producing converter boxes to give older sets "V-Chip" capability at a cost of less than \$100.

The "V-Chip" will be able to read the rating codes, which were established by broadcasters, parent and children advocacy groups and the Motion Picture Association of America, who then set the Parental Guidelines.

The Guidelines apply to all programming except sports, news, and unedited rated movies on premium

cable channels.

The rating icon symbol appears for 15 seconds at the beginning of all rated programming.

The "V-Chip" will read the data encoded in the program and be able to block pre-selected programs based on the age category, or by the sex, language, violence, or suggestive dialogue rating assigned to the show, or by a combination of the two.

Here the ratings and what they stand for:

TV-Y (All Children) Whether animated or live, the themes and elements are designed for a very young audience, including children from ages 2-6.

TV-Y7 (Older Children, 7 and up) These shows may be more appropriate for children who have acquired developmental skills needed to distinguish between make-believe and reality. Themes may include mild fantasy or comedic violence, or may frighten children under the age of 7.

For those programs where fantasy violence may be more intense or

more combative than other programs in this category, such programs will be designated TV-Y7-FV.

TV-G (General Audience) Parents may let younger children watch this program unattended. It contains little or no violence, no strong language and little or no sexual dialogue or situations.

TV-PG (Parental Guidance) The theme itself may call for parental guidance and/or the program contains one or more of the following: moderate violence, some sexual situations, infrequent coarse language, or some suggestive dialogue.

TV-14 (Parents Strongly Cautioned) This program contains material that many parents would find unsuitable for children under 14 years. These programs contain one or more of the following: intense violence and/or sexual situations, strong coarse language, or intensely suggestive dialogue.

TV-MA (Mature Audiences Only) This program is specifically designed to be viewed by adults and

may be unsuitable for children under 17.

The industry also has established an Oversight Monitoring Board to ensure that the rating guidelines are applied accurately and consistently, to address complaints and requests from the public, and consider any needed changes.

"While the ability to program the V-Chip on their television sets to block programs with specific ratings will be helpful to all American parents, it will be particularly useful for working parents who can't always be present to monitor the TV watching of their children," said FCC Chairman William E. Kennard.

(This article is an unofficial announcement. Only release of the full text of a Commission order constitutes official action. For more information, write the FCC Office of Public Affairs, Public Service Division, 1919 M Street NW, Room 254, Washington, D.C. 20554 or call (202) 418-0200; TTY: (202) 418-2555.)

Legislators take action against illegal telephone service switching

House approves protection against 'slamming'

A consumer protection package approved this week by the Michigan House addresses the growing problems associated with the unauthorized switching of telephone services.

State Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling) said although "slamming" is a federal offense it is not illegal under Michigan law.

This means the Michigan Public Service Commission lacks the authority to enforce penalties against companies engaging in the practice.

"This legislation gives the com-

mission more authority as a consumer watchdog," said Lowe, who co-sponsored House Bill 5280.

"We need additional safeguards. Without state regulation, renegade companies are free to continue their unlawful activities and people are unaware of their rights to request further information about alternative companies."

Currently, the PSC records customers' complaints and tries to get credits for people who have been slammed. Sometimes the PSC forwards the complaints to the Federal Communications Commission

which has the jurisdiction to fine.

HB 5280 and a companion measure, Senate Bill 837, create the Michigan Slamming Prohibition Act. Penalties for failure to comply with the act include:

- Fines up to \$20,000 on a first offense and \$50,000 on subsequent violations;
- A refund to the customer of any collected excessive rates; and
- License revocation for a pattern of violations, or a cease and desist order.

Michigan ranked eighth in unlawful carrier switching complaints,

according to a recent survey by the National Consumers League.

"I have received numerous complaints from northern Michigan residents," Lowe said. "Competition among telephone service companies is out of control when customers discover their carrier has been switched without their authorization."

"No other business is able to sell you their service without your consent. These companies don't deserve special privileges."

The legislation now goes to the governor's desk.

House passes Internal Revenue Service reform

Legislation represents the first IRS reform to take place in a span of 46 years. The burden of proof is shifted from the citizen to the IRS in court proceedings.

WASHINGTON D.C. -- Congressman Dave Camp (R-MI) voted for passage of the first significant reform of the Internal Revenue Service since 1952. The legislation represents an important step towards fundamental, comprehensive tax reform.

"The passage of this reform is a victory for the American taxpayer," said Camp. "I find it difficult to believe that the IRS hasn't been reformed for nearly 46 years. We have taken an important first step towards making the IRS accountable to the American taxpayer," continued Camp.

"This bill protects the rights of the individual and reduces the abusive power of a bureaucratic agency that has spun out of control. This bill will bring about a new era for the IRS -- one in which the American taxpayers' rights are first."

Recent investigations of the IRS have found outrageous management practices and shocking cases of

abuse.

This IRS reform is the most comprehensive overhaul of the service ever enacted.

It will protect taxpayers by increasing oversight of the IRS to prevent abuses, holding the IRS accountable for their actions against taxpayers and ensuring taxpayers are treated fairly by creating a whole new arsenal of protections.

First, the burden of proof shifts to the IRS in court proceedings -- now,

finally, you're innocent until proven guilty.

Second, innocent spouses will not be held responsible for taxes due -- the income-earning spouse will pay.

Third, interest and penalty relief is provided in certain cases, where the IRS fails to give proper notice to taxpayers.

Lastly, the IRS is prohibited from seizing a taxpayers home without a court order.

"I have heard too many stories of

this agency trampling the rights of taxpayers," said Camp.

"I am pleased that this reform was passed close to our nation's Independence Day. It was July 4, 1776, when our Declaration of Independence was signed," continued Camp.

"As America celebrates its 222nd birthday -- we can also celebrate a new bill of rights, which place the American taxpayer's rights before those of the IRS," said Camp.

Ron Koenig is leaving Kirtland College

The school begins searching for a suitable replacement.

Ron Koenig, Managing Director of Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, announced recently that he is leaving Kirtland Community College at the end of August to take the newly created position of Director of Creativity and the Arts at Northwood University in Midland.

Since beginning at Kirtland in August of 1994, Mr. Koenig has succeeded at putting the college, and the area, on the map as a hub for culture and the arts in northern lower Michigan.

His accomplishments at Kirtland include: creating the Associates of Fine Arts in Theatre Arts degree program, which graduated its first student in 1997; creating and producing six Kirtland Ensemble Theatre Company performances;

establishing the current 12-event Performing Artist Series with summer matinee performances; conceiving and developing the five-event Kirtland Youth Theatre Series which in 1997-98 impacted over 6,300 area pre-K through 12 students with in-school, hands-on workshops and Friday performances at Kirtland; teaching college level theatre courses to area eighth graders who have shown academic excellence on standardized state tests; and consulting on the creation of Acting Up Theatre Company, the area's only professional resident touring theatre company.

Mr. Koenig's involvement at the state level includes sitting on the board of the Michigan Non-Profit Presenters Network and adjudicating multidisciplinary art projects grant application for the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

Mr. Koenig's final responsibility as Managing Director at Kirtland will be to introduce the Woody Herman Orchestra performances on Saturday, August 22, at 2 and 8 p.m. Position announcements have been published locally and nationally with resumes and letters of application due at Kirtland no later than July 17. A replacement for Mr. Koenig is expected to start on August 17 and, if possible, will be introduced at the Woody Herman Orchestra performances.

As Director of Creativity and the Arts at Northwood University, Mr. Koenig will become the new director of the Alden B. Dow Creativity Center. He will have a faculty appointment on the Michigan campus as Assistant Professor of Humanities, where he will teach Creative Behavior, a course for management majors, and also serve on Northwood's Academic Council.

When asked what the intention of Kirtland Community College was in seeking a replacement for Mr. Koenig, Richard Silverman, Vice President for Instruction at Kirtland, summarized the feelings of the institution by saying:

"Our job is to find a Ron Koenig II."

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Michigan car-deer crashes drop for first time since '90

An increased public awareness campaign is being credited for the first decline since 1990 in the number of car-deer crashes in Michigan.

A report released by the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition (a group comprised of insurance, government and law enforcement representatives) shows there were 65,451 vehicle crashes involving deer last year, compared to 68,233 in 1996 (a 4.2% drop).

Crawford County showed a decline in car-deer crashes from 1996 to 1997. There were 410 reported car-deer crashes in 1996 and the number of crashes dropped

to 394 in 1997.

In the past year, the number of people killed in car-deer crashes also dropped from six in 1996 to three in 1997. The total number of people injured, however, rose slightly from 2,221 in 1996 to 2,226 last year.

Among the counties reporting the highest number of crashes were Kent (2,035), Jackson (1,965) and Calhoun (1,871).

The Michigan Deer Crash Coalition has spent much of the past year promoting public awareness and the dangers of deer-related crashes. The Coalition credits pub-

lic education and safer driving habits for producing the first car-deer crash reduction in years.

The group believes that car-deer crashes remain a serious problem. Deer crashes account for 15% of the total number of traffic crashes in the state. Last year, 27 counties reported increases in crashes, with 25 counties reporting more than 1,000 car-deer crashes. Michigan averages 179 car-deer crashes daily.

The Coalition continues to look for ways to reduce the number of crashes and plans to unveil additional initiatives later this year.

According to the Department of



Natural Resources, there are between 1.6 and 1.8 million deer in Michigan.

Safety Tips for avoiding deer

Safety tips for avoiding deer:

- Look for deer, especially at dusk and dawn.
- Drive at lower speeds when deer crossing signs are present. Always wear your seatbelt.

River festival parade bands

The Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) loves a parade, and this year's should be a winner.

It's hard to have a parade without music, and each year GPA tries to have as many bands as possible.

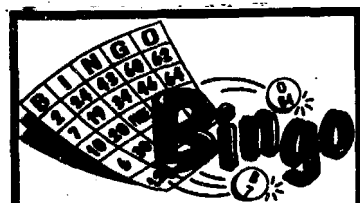
Continuing their tradition, the 126th Michigan Army Band will lead the parade. This award-winning group has participated in the parade for many years and have promised to be around for many more.

Another award-winning musical group is the Grayling Viking Band, under the direction of Dennis Ormby. Spectators should look forward to hearing and seeing them as they conclude another successful school year.

Returning for a second year are the Bandettes from Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. This all-girl band was a new addition last year, and GPA says they are glad to have them back.

Another returning band, after a three-year absence, is the Plymouth Fife and Drum. They will be performing in Charlevoix the morning of the parade and then will play in the AuSable River Festival Parade on their way home.

Last, but by no means least, is the Glen Erin Pipe Band from Okemos. They will perform before the parade at Mercy Hospital and again at a local business afterward.



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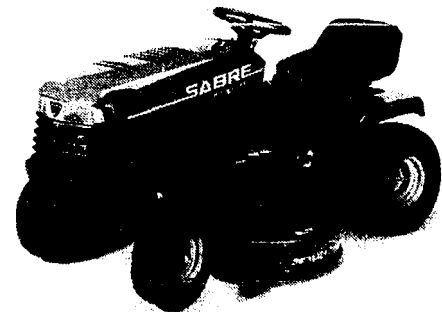
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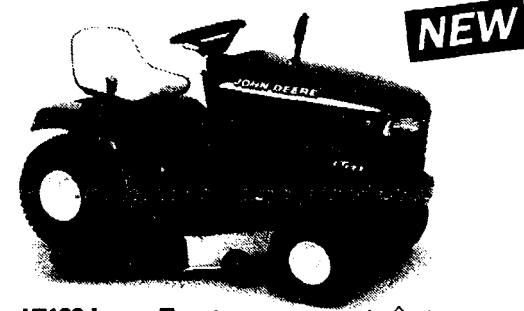


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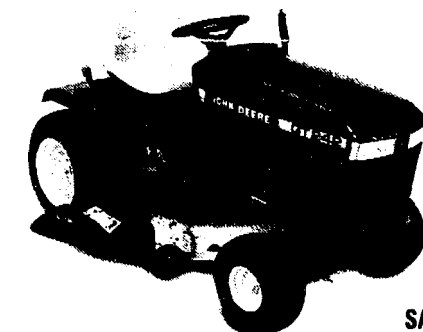


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TOWNSHIP OF FREDERIC NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The Frederic Township board will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 1998-99 at Frederic Township Hall on July 7, 1998, at 8 p.m. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at Frederic Township Hall, 7564 County Road 612.

PUBLIC NOTICE FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

As required by the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act 1976 PA267, the Frederic Township Board hereby list and post the dates, times and places of all its regular meetings during the 1998-99 fiscal year as follows:

1. All regular meetings will be held at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 County Road 612, Frederic, MI. Phone: (517) 348-8778. Fax: (517) 348-7365.
2. All regular meetings will be held each month at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

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|-------------------|------------------|
| July 7, 1998 | January 12, 1999 |
| August 11, 1998 | February 9, 1999 |
| September 8, 1998 | March 9, 1999 |
| October 7, 1998 | April 6, 1999 |
| November 11, 1998 | May 4, 1999 |
| December 8, 1998 | June 8, 1999 |

Nancy Bindschatel
Frederic Township Clerk
P.O. Box 78
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(517) 348-8778

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Private Industry Council on Northeast Michigan Consortium has revised the final Title III (EDWAAA) plan for program year 1998.

The following is a summary of the planned activities for the target group that is eligible under the Job Training Partnership Act:

Total EDWAAA program funds planned for PY98: \$389,000.00

1. **Retraining Services:** Eligible dislocated workers will be retrained in a vocation program in a classroom setting, or through on-the-job-training in the private sector. \$101,700.00
2. **Basic Readjustment:** Intake, counseling, job placement and other employment development services. \$101,700.00
3. **Support Services & Needs Related Payments:** Program participants will be provided ancillary services as needed such as child care or transportation allowances. \$84,750.00

A copy of the Plan is available at Northeast Michigan Consortium, 20709 State Street, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765. Please address questions or comments to Terry L. Basel, Program Coordinator. An Equal Opportunity Program/Employer. Auxiliary aids, services, and alternative format will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center 1-800-649-3777 (Voice & TDD).

PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTORS OF:

Beaver Creek Township
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Grayling Township
Lovells Township
Maple Forest Township
South Branch Township
City of Grayling

All electors are hereby given notice that **THE PRIMARY ELECTION** will be held in all the above Townships and the City in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan on Tuesday, August 4, 1998.

Electors who wish to vote in the Primary Election must be registered to vote no later than Monday, July 6, 1998. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the County Clerk's office or the Township or City Clerk's office.

THE PROPOSED COUNTY WIDE BALLOT ISSUES ARE:

E-911 Emergency Service Proposal
Funding of Sheriff's Office Road Patrol

Included on **Maple Forest Township** Ballots - Millage Proposal
Fire and Ambulance Services

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July 6, 1998 - Last day for electors to Register with the County Clerk

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Sharon K. Hartman, Beaver Creek Township Clerk - 275-8878
Nancy Bindschatel, Frederic Township Clerk - 348-8778
Monica S. Ashton, Grayling Township Clerk - 348-4361
Cheryl Hopp, Lovells Township Clerk - 348-9215
Susan Keene, Maple Forest Township Clerk - 348-9801
Laura Smith, South Branch Township Clerk - 275-8232
Jerry Morford, Grayling City Clerk - 348-2131

THE POLLS OF THE SAID ELECTION WILL BE OPEN AT 7:00 AM AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 8:00 PM ON AUGUST 4, 1998.

NOTICE

CRAWFORD COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING VACANCY

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for a position on the Crawford County on Aging through Thursday, July 9th, 1998 @ 4:00 pm. Applicants are required to be county residents and requested to have a genuine interest in the life's of all seniors within Crawford County. Applications can be obtained and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore at the Crawford County Courthouse 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

PUBLIC HEARING FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD

The Frederic Township Board will hold a Public Hearing and the regular meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 1998, at 7 p.m. The Public Hearing is concerning the Fire Department Personnel Salary and Pay requests.

The meeting will be held at 7564 County Road 612, Frederic, MI 49733. Phone: (517) 348-8778

Nancy L. Bindschatel
Frederic Township Clerk

NOTICE

The 1998 Road Commission Board Meeting Schedule
All Meetings are Held in the Road Commission Board Room
Meetings Begin at 10:00 a.m.

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| July 9, 1998 | October 1, 1998 |
| July 23, 1998 | October 15, 1998 |
| August 6, 1998 | October 29, 1998 |
| August 20, 1998 | November 12, 1998 |
| September 3, 1998 | November 25, 1998 |
| September 17, 1998 | December 10, 1998 |
| | December 23, 1998 |

(Budget Hearing)

Ray Swiercz, Chairman
Bob Nelson, Vice-Chairman
Bill Gannon, Member

Frederic Township Ordinance Number 98-8

Amendment to Ordinance 98-8 BOCA Fire Prevention Code.

Whereas Frederic Twp. has adopted BOCA Fire Prevention Code known as Ordinance #98-8, Frederic Twp. now wishes to amend its code so as to support one agency as the agent to issue burning permits, namely the Department of Natural Resources.

Therefore chapter 4, Section F-403.4.1 is changed to read open burning shall be allowed only after obtaining a permit or other authorization from the Department of Natural Resources. Failure to secure a permit to burn will be a violation of this code and is covered in Chapter 1, Section F-112.3.

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NUMBER 98-8

"THE BOCA BASIC FIRE PREVENTION CODE, 9TH EDITION 1993"

An ordinance establishing minimum regulations governing the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazards arising from the storage, handling, and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings and premises, known as the Fire Prevention Code of the Township of Frederic, State of Michigan.

Be it ordained by the Township Board of Frederic Township as follows:

SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF FIRE PREVENTION CODE.

That a certain document, one (1) copy of which is on file in the office of the Township Clerk of Frederic Township, being marked and designated as "The BOCA National Fire Prevention Code, Ninth Edition, 1993," as published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc. be and hereby is adopted as the Fire Prevention Code of the Township of Frederic, in the State of Michigan; for the control of buildings, structures and premises as herein provided; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said BOCA National Fire Prevention Code, are hereby referred to adopted and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this Ordinance, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 3 of the Ordinance.

The administration of this ordinance, issuance and approval of its permits (if any) shall be controlled and administered by The Frederic Fire Department and its code officials, as directed by its Fire Chief.

SECTION 2. INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES REPEALED.

No other Ordinances.

SECTION 3. ADDITIONS, INSERTIONS AND CHANGES.

That BOCA National Fire Prevention Code is amended and changed in the following respects:

Section F-101.1 Insert: Frederic Township.

SECTION 4. ESTABLISHMENT OF LIMITS.

That the limits referred to in Section F-3003.2 of the BOCA National Fire Prevention Code 1993 in which the storage of explosive materials is prohibited are hereby established as follows: NFPA 495 of 1996.

SECTION 5. SAVING CLAUSE

That nothing in this Ordinance or in the Fire Prevention Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any lawsuit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act of ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 (if any) of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. DATE OF EFFECT.

That the Clerk of Frederic Township shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause the same to be published as required by law; and this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by law.

May 6, 1998
DATE OF ADOPTION

Nancy L. Bindschatel,
Frederic Twp. Clerk

LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD CLAIMS NOTICE Independent Probate

File No. 98-5843-IE
Estate of Ernest H. Myers - Deceased,
378-12-6182.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent whose last known address was 444 Norwood, Roscommon, MI 48653 died April 20, 1998. An instrument dated June 6, 1991 has been admitted as the will of the decedent.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Charlotte Ferguson and Linda Sosnowski, 31357 Willow Court, Warren, MI 48093, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, Grayling, Michigan 49738, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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Case No. 98-096-LT
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vs.
Laura Whitten Smith,
Defendant.

ORDER FOR APPEARANCE AND PUBLICATION

On the 30th day of March, 1998, an action was filed by Arthur Gold, plaintiff, against Laura Whitten Smith defendant, in this Court to recover possession of certain realty.

IT IS ORDERED that the defendant Laura Whitten Smith appear at 1 p.m.; on Tuesday, July 14, 1998, and defend the complaint filed in this action. Failure to comply with this order will result in a judgement by default against said defendant, for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this Court.

The foregoing suit involves a forfeiture of a land contract covering all that certain piece or parcel of land being situated in the County of Crawford Michigan, and more particularly known and described as:

Desc. #1, The East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4, Section 28, Town 28 North, Range 3 West.

Desc. #2, The West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4, Section 28, Town 28 North, Range 3 West.

Dated: May 28, 1998
Commonly known as 3183 Feldhauser,
Frederic, MI

-18-25-2

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

To the Owner of any and all Interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

Take Notice: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan. Description of land:

Comm. at the SE corner of sec. 33 T27N R2W, TH W 792 ft. to P.O.B., Th N 0 Deg. 01 Min E 330 ft., TH E 198 ft. TH N 0 Deg. 01 min E 1006.3 ft., Th S89 Deg. 57 min 30 Sec W 328.4 ft. TH S 0 Deg. 02 min 30 Sec W 1336.0 ft., Th E 193.9 ft. to P.O.B. containing 10.05 AC. M/L Parcel 0. Bernice M. Cronk, Louis H. Cronk, Ralph Cronk, Connie Allort, Edward Cronk, Samuel Cronk, 1436 Ruby Ann Dr., Saginaw, MI 48601. To Louis H. Cronk last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$291.30 plus the fees of the Sheriff. Ernest Lee McMillan, tax deed holder.

-11-18-25-2

SYNOPSIS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING June 8, 1998

The regular meeting of the Beaver Creek Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor. All board members were present. There were 12 guests present.

Motion by McDonough and seconded by Mobarak to accept minutes to meeting of 5/11/98 & 5/13/98. Motion carried.

Motion by Mobarak to accept Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded and carried.

Guest speaker Dan Reszka, running for 105th House Seat answered questions.

Supervisor's report was given as well as report regarding Fire Dept.

Five pieces of correspondence were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:
1. Motion by Mobarak to accept the Cemetery Ordinance as proposed, to be effective 7/1/98. Seconded and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by McDonough to accept the proposed wage schedule for employees for the next fiscal year. Seconded and carried.

2. Motion by Mobarak to accept the proposed budget for the fiscal year 98-99. Seconded and carried.

3. Motion by Mobarak that we accept bid from Brunham & Flowers for Workers Comp Insurance. Seconded and carried.

4. Discussion regarding interview of assessors. Motion by Balme to hold special meeting 6/10/98 at 7:00 p.m. to go through applications and decide on interview dates. Seconded and carried.

5. Motion by Mobarak to designate \$600.00 for S.T.I.N.G. funding. Seconded and carried.

6. Motion by Mobarak to accept meeting dates for next fiscal year. Seconded and carried. 7/13/98, 8/10/98, 9/14/98, 10/12/98, 11/9/98, 12/14/98, 1/11/99, 2/8/99, 3/8/99, 4/12/99, 5/10/99 and 6/14/99. Annual meeting will be held on 6/28/99.

7. Motion by Riley to accept the Blue Cross package presented with employees and board members paying a participation fee of 20%. Seconded and carried.

8. Motion by Mobarak to send letter to City Environmental prepared by Supervisor invoking option of 5% increase in charges. Seconded and carried.

9. Motion to pay the AP bills. Seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.
Sharon Hartman, Clerk

BURN VICTIM.



ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES.

FACTS AND

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of July 5-11

ARIES

March 21-April 20

Help a friend or coworker by pulling some strings behind the scenes at work. Not only will it help build their self-confidence, it could work to your benefit. Be patient on the home front. Even though things will get frustrating, don't get overwhelmed.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

Even with stars in your eyes, keep your feet firmly planted on the ground. If something seems too good to be true, use your head...it probably is. Be cautious about investing any money this week. You may get a bad tip, so be careful who you listen to.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

Contemplating a major purchase? Consult an expert in that area before you buy. Then weigh all the facts. When you decide to set a price limit, stick to it. At work, choose your words carefully. Some ill-chosen words have the potential to wreak havoc.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

This is the week to make a commitment to spend time with someone you've been neglecting. Don't go overboard; just be sure to spend some time with him/her. Things may get sticky at work this week. Stand up for yourself and don't take blame that's not yours.

LEO

July 23-August 23

You need a good sounding board. Look to a third party to give you a valuable, objective point of view. Explain the problem, then listen carefully to the advice you're given. Make time for someone close this week because he/she needs your help and support.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Even if you cannot change what someone says, you can control your reaction to it. Take the comments in stride, and you'll see that those around you will have more respect for you. Don't forget to reward yourself for taking it on the chin!

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

Your easygoing demeanor may be misinterpreted this week. At home, your partner may think you're not taking a problem seriously. Concentrate on addressing the issue, and you'll find you can enjoy your weekend more.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

Tuesday will be a big day for you this week. Your dedication to community projects will come to the forefront and work in your favor on the job. Don't be shy about taking credit for things you've done. Don't overextend yourself...even for a worthy cause.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Fresh opportunities in personal and professional relationships will be the highlight of your week. Enjoy your new personal interactions to the fullest. Take advantage of the new opportunities at work. Your hard work will finally pay off.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

A difficult situation will rear its ugly head this week. Don't avoid it; plunge in and get it behind you before it gets worse. You'll feel a whole lot better when things are resolved. Get out of the house this weekend. It will give you a clearer perspective.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

Before the end of the week, you'll run into someone you haven't seen for quite a while. Enjoy the time together, even though it will be short. Continue to be positive about things going on at home. You'll soon realize who and what really matter to you.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Love and affection are in the stars for you this week. Even though the week starts off slowly, Friday will end up being a wonderful day. Your compassion and sensitivity will play well at home and at work. Call on them when things get rough.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

VEGETABLE MEDLEY PIZZA

(8 Slices)

1 12 inch gourmet pizza crust

1 T olive oil

6 oz. pizza sauce

3 cloves fresh garlic, chopped

4 oz. tomato & basil feta cheese

4 oz. fresh mushrooms, sliced

1 sm. zucchini, sliced thin

1 sm. onion, sliced thin

6 artichoke hearts, drained and sliced

6 Greek olives, sliced

4 oz. Italian blend shredded cheese

1/2 yellow & 1/2 red pepper, cut in thin slivers

2 roma tomatoes, sliced thin

Optional: Fresh herbs parsley, oregano, basil and rosemary
Coarse ground pepper
Cayenne pepper

Preheat oven to 450°F.

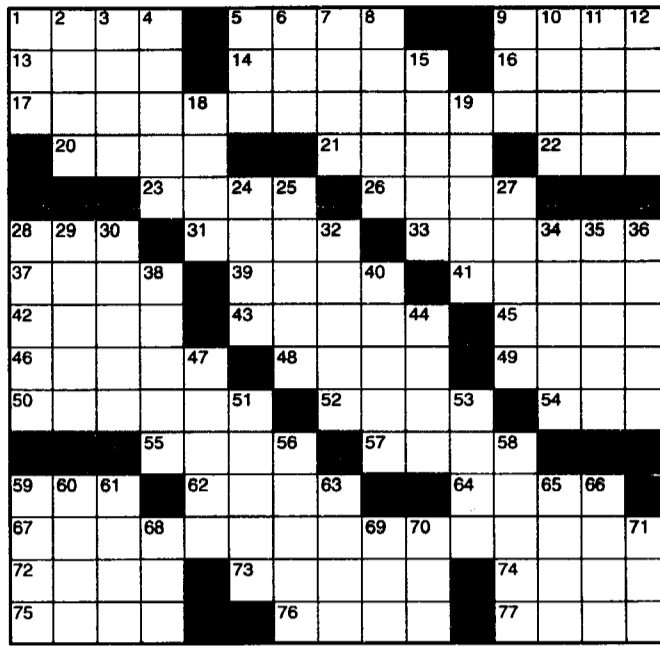
Prepare ingredients as indicated. Brush pizza crust and rim with olive oil. Spread pizza sauce evenly over crust. Layer remaining ingredients in the order listed. Sprinkle fresh herbs, black and red pepper between layers of vegetables according to your taste.

Reduce oven temperature to 425°F. Place crust directly on the oven rack. Bake 8 - 10 minutes. Slice and serve.



HOME NEEDED - This beautiful female is 1 year old and is good with kids. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Wide
- Merry prank
- 1040, e.g.
- Neck of the woods
- Absurd
- Bassoon's cousin
- D.C. sight
- Slammer
- Palm reader
- Explosive letters
- Sherman, for one
- Peevish mood
- Comic-strip Alley
- "... thou cream-faced" (Shakespeare)
- Window type
- Angelic headgear
- Grown-up miss
- Wide-eyed
- PDQ, in a memo
- Rocker John
- Farm implement
- Is an apartment dweller
- Unsorted wheat flour
- Japanese drink
- Questioning
- Edward IV's House
- Sparks or Rorem
- Taurus and Aries
- Farrah's sweetheart
- Famed Giant
- Tears

DOWN

- Worth: abbr.
- Onassis and namesakes
- Broadcast
- Unsaid
- Liza Jane
- Actress Sheridan
- Bulldozes
- Genueflection joints
- Tea Two
- News item, for short
- Horse color
- Tuna
- Rewrite
- Viva voce
- Celestial hunter
- Alaskan port
- Eucalyptus muncher
- Hatcher of Lois & Clark
- Story of brick's superiority
- Mahogany tree
- Contractual agreement
- Imitative one
- Bits for the compost heap
- Jerry Van
- "... Woman in Your Life"
- Ambushes
- Tara's owner
- Fertile spots
- Hook's threat
- Sharply dressed
- Two Gentlemen of Verona setting
- Call forth
- Take a new mate
- fiber
- Outboard, e.g.
- a one (none)
- Springe
- Question closely
- Porter heroine via the Bard
- Caught sight of
- Tibet's neighbor
- Prince (R.L. Stevenson)
- Marvel Comics superhero
- Easy gait
- Abeysance
- Full-flavored
- Ideas
- Pulver, e.g.: abbr.
- Sound of disapproval
- Actress Meriwether
- Mrs.: Sp.

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO June 19, 1975

Following last minute decisions and conferences with Marilyn G. Longworth, pageant Director, Bridget Hoffman, Miss Grayling, and her mother are checking over clothing details for the Miss Michigan Scholarship pageant.

Michigan and Ohio National Guard join forces in two week summer encampment.

Three Grayling boys will attend the 38th annual Wolverine Boys' State at Michigan State University. They are: Jim Gardiner, Ken Doty, and Jim Whaley.

Local boys Brett Stockton and Mark Kolka took first place in the Junior Boys' Division of the Huron River Canoe Race held near Milford on Sunday, June 15.

Recognition-benefit dinner for Mark D. Hanson on Friday, June 20. Mark, the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. David "Skip" Hanson, of Grayling, has received an appointment to the United State Military Academy at West Point, and will report here on July 7 to begin his cadet training in the army.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Jansen hosted a graduation party and an 18th birthday party for their son, Curt, on Friday after commencement. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Jansen's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Peters from Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Don Kusche of Traverse City, Mrs. George Dietrich of Prudenville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jansen and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jansen of Roscommon, and the Jansens' daughter and husband, Lt. and Mrs. David Hoag of Newport, R.I. The Hoags spent from Tuesday to Sunday with her parents. In November they will be going to Puerto Rico where he will be stationed in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hilton attended the June 9th graduation of their granddaughter, Kathy,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hilton, in Portland.

Kelly Scheer graduated from Ferris State College, Big Rapids with an associates degree in social services.

Marine Private First Class Perry E. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah E. Anderson of Grayling, has completed field skills training at the Marine Corps Base, Twenty-nine Palms, Calif.

46 YEAR AGO June 19, 1952

Home from Central Michigan College enjoying vacations are: Nancy Hoesli, Clare Burns, Ellery Hoesli and Earl Rasmussen. Miss Majorie Nelson is home from Ferris Institute.

Mrs. Whitey Madsen, Mrs. Frank May Jr., and Mrs. Norman Madsen were co-hostess at the Madsen home at a stork shower last Friday evening honoring Mrs. Leroy Papendick.

The Larry Frymires of Lansing spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacNeven.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman LaVeck of Midland were up over the weekend visiting Mrs. LaVeck's daughter, Mrs. Raymond Weaver. While here, Truman caught a 10 lb. pike.

69 YEARS AGO June 20, 1929

Mrs. John S. Williams and family have arrived from St. Louis, Mo., at Lake Margrethe for the summer and also to visit her sister, Miss Carrie Jorgenson and brother Adler Jorgenson and wife.

Lewis Konvicka was the guest of honor at a dinner last week, given by the nurses at Mercy Hospital in honor of his graduation from Grayling High School. Lewis made his home at Mercy Hospital working before and after school hours in order that he might attend school.

Robert Reagan and Louis Herbison are building a two story cabin 26 x 30 feet at Shaw's Park on the AuSable.

The new boulevard electric lights were first turned on Saturday evening. There are eight 250 candle power lights in each block beginning at the Michigan Central depot and continuing for three blocks.

Mrs. Herman Bertl Jr. and baby daughter of Roscommon visited at the home of her father, Alton Brott, over the weekend.

Mrs. Fred Niederer is the proud possessor of a new Automatic Duo Dish washer.

Arthur E. Wendt received a telegram from Col. Leroy Pearson Tuesday, saying that he had been awarded the contract for painting 142 buildings at the Military reservation.

Grant Shaw is overseeing the construction of a new cabin on the Manistee River at Shoppenagons landing for J.W. Gier of the Motor Wheel Corp., Detroit.

Miss Margaret Douglas who is teaching at West Branch, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. T.E. Douglas.

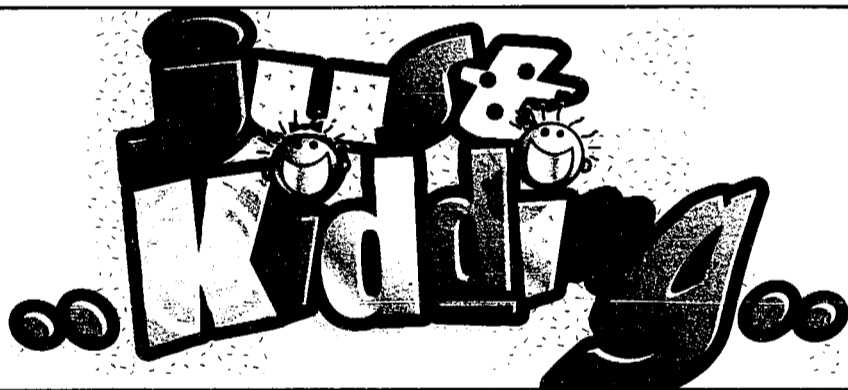
92 YEARS AGO June 21, 1906

George L. Alexander is putting an addition on his office.

The M.C.R.R. will run an excursion to Saginaw and Bay City Sunday leaving here at 7 a.m. Fare for the round trip, Saginaw \$1.60, Bay City, \$1.40.

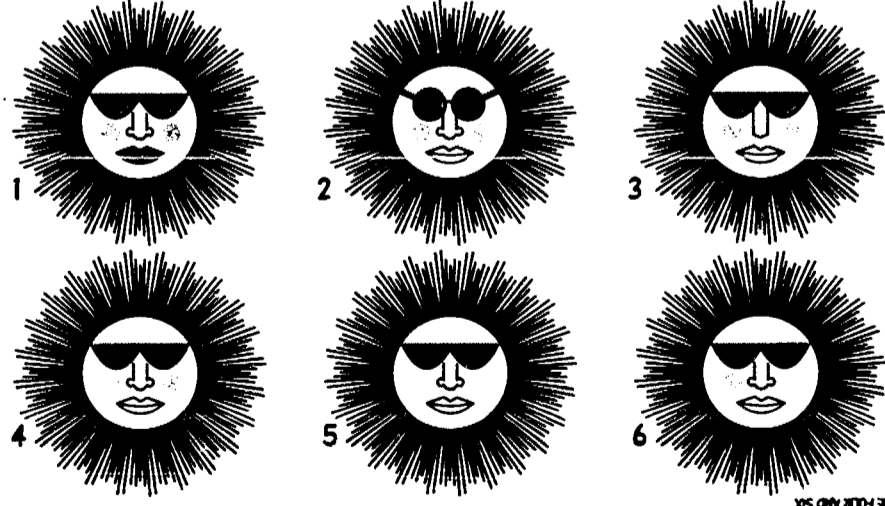
Mr. and Mrs. Phil Moshier, now of Clio, came "home" for a month's visit last Saturday. They will make their headquarters at father Stephens.

G.F. Owen of Maple Forest was in attendance at the convention last Monday and challenges any man in the county to show a better piece of clover than is growing on his farm.



FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



| Date | High | Low | Rain |
|------|------|-----|------|
| 6/24 | 83 | 54 | |
| 6/25 | 81 | 59 | 0.70 |
| 6/26 | 90 | 64 | 0.62 |
| 6/27 | 74 | 55 | 0.02 |
| 6/28 | 78 | 58 | 0.05 |
| 6/29 | 84 | 61 | |
| 6/30 | 86 | 58 | 0.57 |

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday, sunny with highs 80. Wednesday evening, partly cloudy with lows in the upper 40s to low 50s. Thursday partly cloudy with the highs in the mid 70s to 80. Friday, partly cloudy with a chance of rain showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s to 80 and the lows in the low to mid 50s. Saturday partly cloudy with highs in the mid 70s to 80 and the lows in the mid 50s to 60.

K of C Fish Fry & Wing Ding Dinner

First Friday of Month - Baked or Fried Fish

Potatoes - Coleslaw - Beverage - Dessert

\$6.50 Adults - \$6.00 Seniors - \$4.00 Children

Under 5 FREE - Check Out Hall Rental Rates 5-7 p.m. PUBLIC INVITED 5-7 p.m.

29th Annual Roscommon Arts Festival

Saturday, July 11, 1998

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Craft Vendors Behind CRAF Center
Juried Show • Village Square Lawn
Hands-On Demonstrations • Food Court
Over 150 Quality Arts & Crafts

Higgins Lake/Roscommon
Chamber of Commerce

A top lineup of guest artists, talented students and faculty kick the Interlochen Arts Festival into high gear the week of July 6 at Interlochen Center for the Arts.

For tickets/information, call Interlochen's Box Office at (616) 276-6230. Box office hours are Monday: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday: 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., and Sunday: 11:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tickets may also be purchased at the Traverse City Visitor Center, Mon.-Fri.: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Unless noted otherwise, all performances start at 8 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium

Some of the most popular stars in entertainment will perform as part of the Interlochen Arts Festival. Bonnie Raitt, with her gritty vocals and guitar, performs Monday, July 6, with ticket prices ranging from \$24.50-\$39.50.

The ballads and pop anthems of Kenny Loggins will be per-

formed Tuesday, July 7, with tickets ranging from \$19.50-\$34.50. The Grammy-winning star is best known for hits such as "This Is A Girl," "I'm Alright," and "Celebrate Me Home."

Opening for Loggins will be singer/actress Kathleen Wilhoite, whose new album is "Pitch Like a Girl." Wilhoite is best known to audiences as Chloe from the TV series "ER."



TO APPEAR - Collin Raye is one of many that will be performing at Interlochen Arts Festival this July. He will be accompanied by Trace Adkins on July 9 at Kresge Auditorium.

Two of country's hottest male stars, Collin Raye and Trace Adkins, share the bill Thursday, July 9, with tickets ranging from \$17.50-\$32.50. With four platinum albums, Raye has established himself as one of today's top country stars. Raye's hit singles include "Love, Me." Trace Adkins is a rising music star, with a distinctive baritone voice and style, displayed on such power ballads as "Lonely Won't Leave Me Alone."

Interlochen Arts Camp, long associated with classical music, the tradition with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Wednesday, July 8, with tickets ranging from \$17.50-\$32.50.

The World Youth Symphony Orchestra (WYSO), will perform with Detroit Symphony Orchestra Friday, July 10, conducted by Neeme Jarvi. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for seniors and students 18 and under.

The sibling artistry of the Ying Quartet, will perform Sunday, July 12, in Corson Auditorium, with tickets at \$16.00.

Audience favorites Canadian Brass return Saturday, July 11, with prices ranging from \$13.50-\$25.50.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

Summer Reading Programs will kick off with Dino Stories and Crafts at the Crawford County Library Thursday, July 2 at 11 a.m.

Kid Care ID Kits and replacement pictures will also be available, sponsored by Kiwanis of Grayling.

Bring your own T-shirt for the DINO transfers. You will be able to color the transfers, then iron them onto your own T-shirt. There are a limited number of DINO transfers.

Stories, a film strip, crafts and the Treasure Box will conclude the program.

Ben Spitzer will be back July 9 with Read-a-Saurus Magic and Juggling Show.

July 16 is Kim Ginther and Madeline the Miasaurus with activity booklets.

July 23 is Jack Hickey and Tales of Fantasy, Myth and Make-Believe.

July 30 is Gordon Russ and the Mystery of the Lost DINOSAUR with a T-shirt drawing.

Cool Treats-Hot Eats is the Summer Reading program for 6th graders and up at the Crawford County Libraries. Students are encouraged to read library books and earn incentives.

For the first library book read, readers earn a Dilly Bar from Dairy Queen and for the second, a Personal Pan Pizza from Pizza Hut. The rotation continues with up to 24 coupons earned.

Reading is DINO-MITE is the Summer Reading Program for ages preschool through 5th grade.

Children are encouraged to read library books and earn incentives from McDonald's of Grayling and Waters.

For reading, or being read to, three library books earn the reader a small fry, six: shake, nine: pie, 12: small nuggets, 15: cookies, 18: hamburger, 21: sundae, 24: Happy Meal.

The Summer Reading Programs are sponsored by McDonald's of Grayling and Waters, Dairy Queen and Pizza Hut.

The Crawford County Library is open Mon.-Thurs., 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Phone is 348-9214.

The Lovells Township Library is open Tues. 10 a.m.-12 noon, Wed. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-12 noon, Sat. 12 noon-3 p.m. Phone is 348-9215.

The Frederic Community Library is open Mon.-Tues. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wed.-Thurs. 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Phone is 348-4067.

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| Alpena 517-354-7441 | Cheboygan 616-627-3059 |
| St. Ignace • Kincheloe • Newberry • Escanaba | |

AGENT LOCATIONS

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OR CALL 1-800-CELLONE FOR THE LOCATION NEAREST YOU.

Front Row Centre, Downtown TC

TSO Office has New Home

The Traverse Symphony Orchestra has relocated its administrative offices to downtown Traverse City. The new address is at Front Row Centre: 121 E. Front St., Suite #204, Traverse City, MI 49684.

The telephone numbers, including fax and e-mail address, will remain the same. A copy of upcoming 1998-99 schedule of events can be picked up there. Convenient parking is available on Front St. or just behind us along the Boardman River.

For information on any of TEAM TSO's events, call the TSO office at

(616) 947-7120. Currently in their 46th season, the Traverse Symphony Orchestra, Michigan's only professional orchestra north of Grand Rapids, is a regional organization whose musicians hail from throughout Northern Michigan.

The TSO has provided public performances and student concerts in Leelanau, Benzie, Kalkaska, Antrim, Emmet, Charlevoix, Roscommon, and Grand Traverse counties. TSO's five-concert subscription season and its five-program family series run from September to April.

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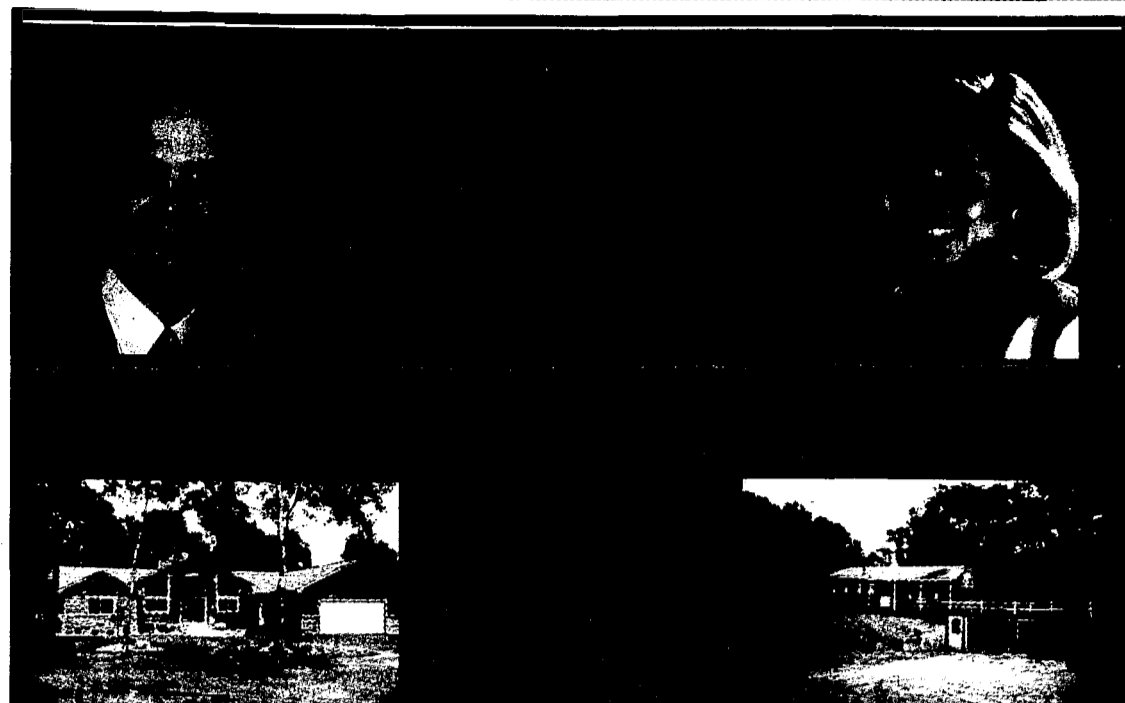
For more info, call Grayling 348-7631 or Gaylord 517-732-8900

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Citizens Banking Corporation

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FOX RUN ESTATES 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths, 2,000 sq. ft. home. TAG cathedral ceiling, elegant formal entry with marble flooring. Hardwood flooring. Master bedroom with whirlpool tub. Kitchen has a center island with induction vent, cook top range, suspended recessed lighting. Insulated double garage, underground irrigation system, circle blacktop drive plus much much more! Call for details: \$225,000 CH-731

LAKE MARGRETHE ACCESS 300' AWAY! Large 4 bedroom, 2 bath home offering 2,012 sq. ft. with walkout basement. 2 car attached garage & detached boat house/garage. Split rail fence, brick fireplace, fruit cellar and a secluded setting. \$99,500 CS-779



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AFFORDABLE COTTAGE ON M-72 EAST. Great access with this 1 bedroom cottage, close to Knott Lake and AuSable River. Knotty pine interior. Wall with hand pump. Electricity but no septic system. 6x10 storage building, perfect get-a-way on 1.8 acres. Immediate occupancy! \$16,000 CH-732



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COUNTRY PURE AND SIMPLE This 1,352 sq. ft. home offers gas heat, two bedrooms, one bath. Oak kitchen cabinets with two lazy susans, walk-in pantry, water softener, large living/dining room combination, two bay windows, new 6x12 shed, 28x14 carport. Air conditioning, county maintained road. \$54,000 CS-666



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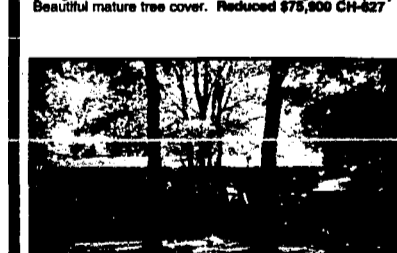
HARBOR BEACH, LAKE MARGRETHE'S FINEST PRIVATE ASSOCIATION. Privileges include: boat slip on canal, lakefront park/beach, adjoining common park. Landscaped yard, circle drive, freshly painted and floor covering. Brick fireplace with insert, knotty pine accents, heated and insulated 24x36 garage. Home contains 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 1,056 sq. ft. living area. New offering. \$106,000 CH-737



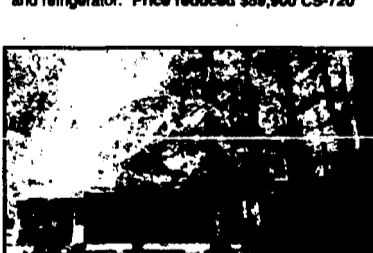
10 WOODED ACRES ADJOINING STATE LAND 1,800 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, cathedral ceilings w/ork, sliding door wall onto rear deck, brick fireplace in family room, 2-car garage with drive thru door. Trails throughout property. Beautiful mature tree cover. Reduced \$75,900 CH-627



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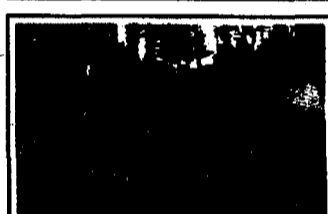
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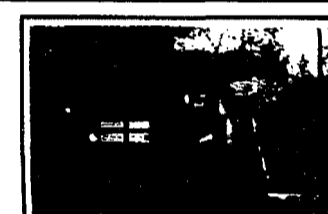
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QUALITY HOME on beautifully wooded lot in desirable area. This 4-bedroom home offers kitchen with center island and ceramic tile, butcher carpet, spacious bedrooms on a landscaped lot. Bonus room to be completed with drywall and carpeting. \$123,000 Reduced to \$118,900 (800-22)



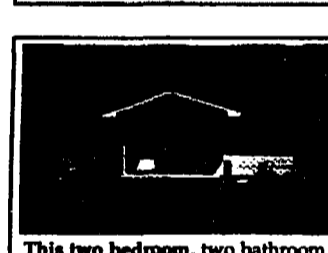
VERY NICE 1979 14-20 mobile home 25 acres near Grayling yet very private with a 28x40 pole building. Mostly furnished. Includes washer, dryer, stove & refrigerator, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. \$37,900 Reduced to \$35,000 (FS-25)



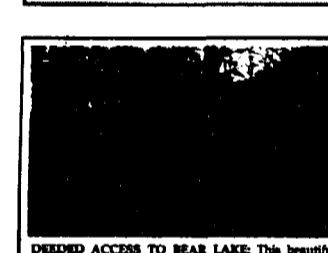
UNIQUE HOME on a large wooded lot. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 24x26 garage, woodburner. Includes stove & refrigerator. Enclosed 14x32 pool. \$129,900 (LM-968)



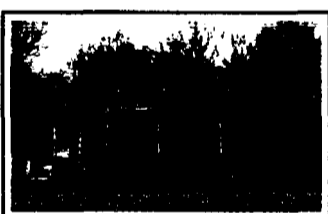
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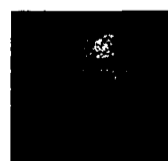


This large, beautiful home offers 40 acres. Close to the horse and hiking trails-snowmobile trails and also joins State land. Over 2,700 sq. ft. plus a 24x36 garage. \$160,000 (DL-115)

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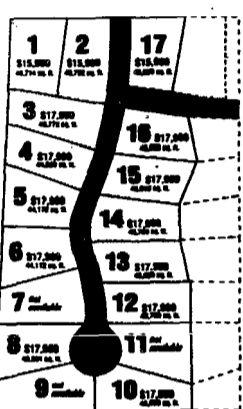
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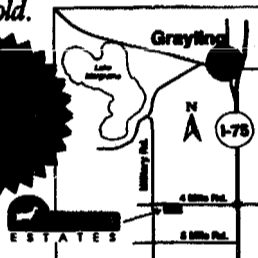
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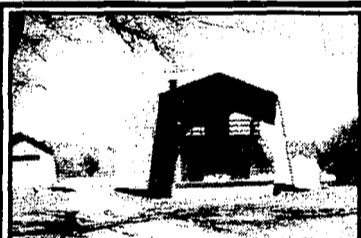
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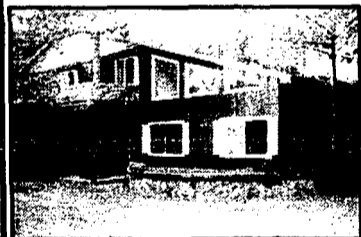


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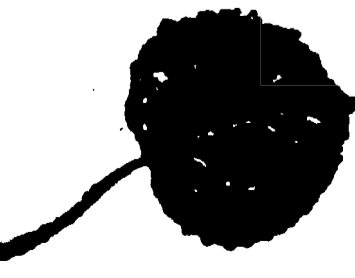
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ANTIQUE GLASS & GARAGE SALE. 1350 W. Federal Hwy., Roscommon. One mile east of Exit 244. July 3-4-5, Fri., Sat., Sun. (25-2/10)

HUGE YARD SALE July 3, 4 and 5, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. At the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, M-72 E, Grayling. 348-4117. (-25-2/10)

GARAGE SALE, Thurs. and Fri., 9-4, 137 Mikado St. (-2/10)

MOVING-GARAGE SALE July 3 & 4. Friday from 9-5, Saturday from 9-4. 9506 South Old 27, four miles south of 4 Mile Rd. Beanie Babies and assorted misc. (-2/10)

ESTATE SALE July 2, 3, and 4, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Lots of household items, small appliances, dishes, bar stools, collectibles, tools, tablesaw, 3 hp. older outboard motor. Items too numerous to mention. Clean, no clothes. 6309 S. King Rd., Grayling, south to 4 Mile Rd., west two miles to King Rd., south 1/4 mile. (-2/10)

LARGEST GARAGE SALE in Crawford County. 32X48 pole barn. July 3, 4, 5, 9am - 4pm. M-18, six miles north of Roscommon. (-2/10)

YARD SALE Fri. July 3, 10-5, 6344 Old Lake Rd. Complete daybed, dresser, desk, Yamama dirt bike, skis, clothes, 12' X 3' pool, youth bow, word processor. (-2/10)

JULY 2nd and 3rd, furniture, antiques, toys, T.V's, misc. 9-4, 2146 Wales, behind Aunt Betty's Restaurant. (-2/10)

GARAGE SALE: Fri., Sat., Sun. July 3-5, 9 am-6 pm. 3489 Jones Lake Rd., Grayling. Two word processors, office equipment, computer software, toys, household items, books, tools, bikes, window blinds, baby items, misc. clothing, golf clubs, many more. (-2/10)

BIG GARAGE SALE due to the death of my husband, cleaning garage. Craftsman 10-inch radio arm saw, cement mixer, fiber glass canoe and much more. Electric stove, lots of household items, too much to list. Champlin, 5829 S. Barker Lk. Rd. off E. 4 Mile Rd.. Take S. 1-75 to 4 Mile or E.72 to Barker Lk, south about 4 miles. Will have signs. July 2nd thru 6th, July 10-12, 9am till dusk. (-2-9/10)

MOVING SALE also '86 Dodge pick-up and '86 one ton Chevy. East on M-72 to North F-97 or Mcmasters Bridge Rd. to 11313 Red Pine. (-2-9/10)

YARD SALE - SHINE ONLY, 115 Barbara, Fri. July 3, Sat. July 4, 10-4. Two families. Baby things, clothes infant - 4 T. swing, playpen, bouncy chairs, car seat, household, sofa, books, toys, maternity clothes M-L. (-2/10)

YARD SALE on 7225 East Batterson Rd., Frederic, MI. From 10 - 5 p.m., Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Some collectables. (-2/10)

RAINED OUT CONTINUED SALE Friday July 3, 9 - 5, Sherman Rd. to Marker Rd., follow signs. Lots of clothes, infant to plus sizes, good quality. Shoes, ski's, small appliances, kitchen items, humidifier, lamps, furniture and books. (-2/10)

10. Garage Sales

FRIDAY 7/3/98, 8:00 - 3:00, X-large women's clothing, furniture, exercise equipment, household, 72 E., Brink, 504 Fern. (-2/10)

HUGE YARD SALE - North Down River Rd. 6 miles east of I-75, Grayling. July 3, 4 and 5, 9am-6pm. Toys, books, childrens and adult clothing, antiques, tools, 1952 Dodge fire truck, 1968 Airstream, ceramics, furniture, too many things to list. (-2/10)

YARD SALE July 3 and 4, 9-6. N. Down River Rd.- two miles east of Stephan Br. Fishing tackle, trout flies, sporting goods, hand tools, power tools, chain saw, toys, old Outdoor and Ladies Home Journals, books, trading cards, framed art, household items, vacuum, cameras, slide projector and cartridges. (-2/10)

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GARAGE SALE 7/4 and 7/5, 9-5, 2150 Shaw Park Rd. east off Stephan Bridge Rd., between M-72 East and North Down River Rd. (-2/10)

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YARD SALE July 3 and 4, 10-6. Old 27, four miles north of M-93 and three miles south of Frederic. (-2/10)

YARD SALE JULY 1, 2, 3 and 4. 9 a.m. - 7. 607 Lake St. (-2/10)

10. Garage Sales

ONE DAY ONLY three-family sale. Items include; baby items, crib, stair stepper, drop ceiling, rails, and tiles, marble vanity sink, boy clothes, girls clothes, tools. Saturday July 4th, 10-5. No early sales please. 707 Chestnut. (-2/10)

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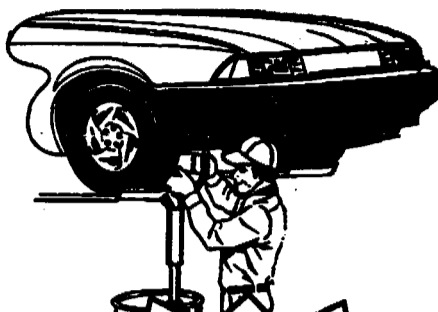
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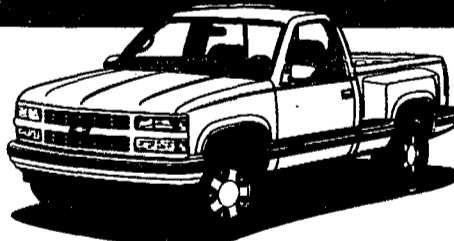
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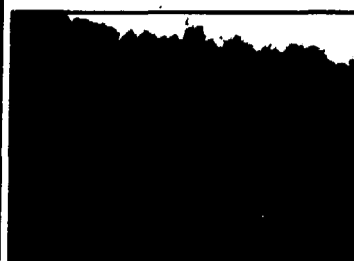


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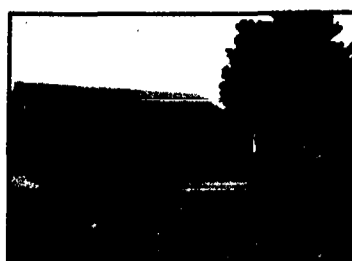


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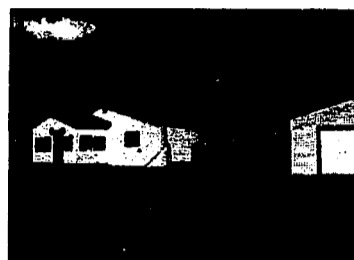
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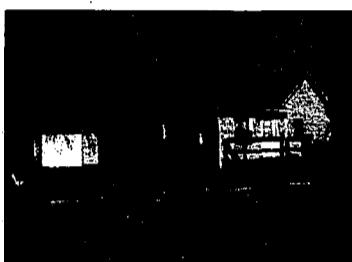
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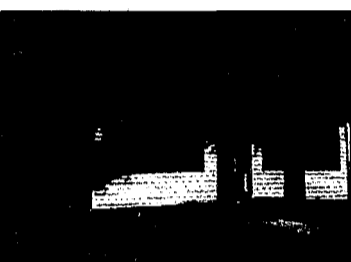
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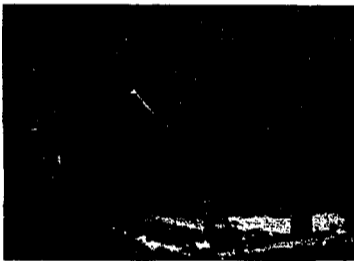
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Nice 2 bedroom Starter Home Located in the City of Grayling. Featuring new fixtures and new carpet in the living room, kitchen and bedroom. Nice backyard, covered front porch, new screen door & attached workshop. #4097 \$26,900 Ask for Debbie Bondar!



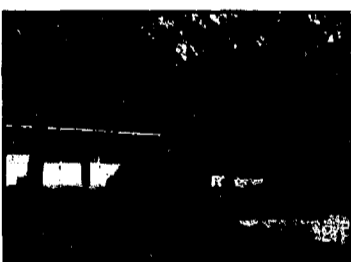
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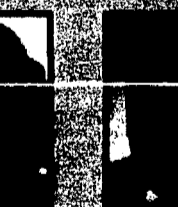
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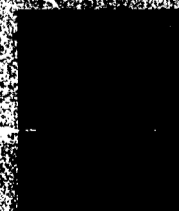
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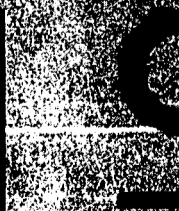
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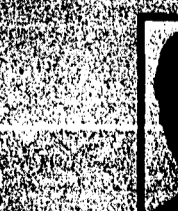
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